

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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Rural Trading Centres
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set up or proposes to set up rural trading centers/ Rural Business Hubs across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT wise;
- (c) the details of funds sanctioned under the Rural Business Hub Programme to the State Governments during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and
- (d) whether the Rural Business Hub Programme has successfully helped in generating employment opportunities and eradicating poverty in the rural areas of the country, if so, the details thereof, State/ UT-wise including Punjab & Chhattisgarh?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a) to (d): The Ministry of Panchayati Raj was implementing the Rural Business Hub (RBH) Scheme during the 11th Five Year Plan (2007-12), adopting participatory development model, for the rural areas of the country, built on the platform of 4 Ps i.e., Public-Private-Panchayat-Partnership. The scheme has been discontinued during the 12th Five Year Plan.
