GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4779 ANSWERED ON:30.03.2017 Budget Estimates under MGNREGS Kharge Shri Mallikarjun ;Tarai Smt. Rita

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the percentage increase in the amount allocated in the revised estimates and next year's budget estimates during the last three Union Budgets for Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), year-wise;
- (b) the average wages per person per day under MGNREGS during the last five years, year-wise;
- (c) the number of average person days per household provided with work under MGNREGS during the last five years, year-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has paid all its dues to the State Governments for wages before the due time and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether Rs. 235.80 crore is pending with National Electronic Fund Management System (NE-FMS) for wage payment under MGNREGS and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether there is any proposal to release 2nd tranche of Central Assistance under MGNREGS for the financial year 2016-17 and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a): The plan outlay (Budget Estimate/Revised Estimate) for Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) during last three years and current year is given below:

Year Budget Estimate Revised Estimate 2013-14 33,000.00 33,000.00

2014-15 34,000.00 33,000.00

2015-16 34,699.00 37,345.95

2016-17 as on 27/03/2017 38,500.00 47,749.00

2017-18 48,000.00 ------

(b): The average wage rate per day per person under MGNREGS since the FY 2011-12 is given below:

Financial Year 2016-17* 2015-16 2014-15 2013-14 2012-13 2011-12

Average wage rate per day per person (Rs.) 161.75 154.08 143.92 132.7 121.41 115

* as on 27.03.2017

(c): The average days of employment provided per household under MGNREGS since FY 2011-12 is given below:

Financial Year 2016-17* 2015-16 2014-15 2013-14 2012-13 2011-12 Average days of employment provided per household 44 49 40 46 46 43

*as on 27.03.2017

(d): Based on the data entry by States/UTs in the Programme Management Information System (MIS), the details of the unpaid liability on wages under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) for the year 2016-17 (as on 27th

March, 2017) is given in Annexure. However, after completion of the data entry for the FY 2016-17, the liability amount can be squared up. The payment to MGNREGS workers are usually done in a cycle of 15 days after the closure of the muster roll. The liability accrued at the end of the financial year are paid in the month of April. All wage liabilities for FY 2016-17 will be released in the first half of April, 2017.

(e): No, Madam.

(f): Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) is a demand driven programme. The Central funds are released to the States/UTs on the basis of agreed to Labour Budget and taking into consideration the performance and the pace of utilization of available funds. The fund release to States/UTs is a continuous process and Central Government is committed to making funds available keeping in view the demand for work.
