

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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SMART VILLAGES

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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to introduce any scheme to create smart villages on lines with the scheme for creation of one hundred smart cities in the country;
- (b) if so, the number of villages proposed to be converted into smart villages in the first phase and states from where such villages are proposed to be selected;
- (c) the time period fixed for converting villages into smart villages;
- (d) the percentage of rural families that have migrated to cities during the last three years; and
- (e) whether the potential of the smart village scheme for checking such migration has been evaluated and if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BIRENDER SINGH)

- (a) At present, there is no proposal in the Department of Rural Development to introduce a scheme to create smart villages in the country on the lines with the scheme for creation of one hundred smart cities in the country. However, recently a scheme, namely, Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY) has been launched to create model villages in the country.
- (b & c) In view of (a) above the questions do not arise.
- (d) No data is being maintained in the Department of Rural Development in this regard.
- (e) In view of (a) above the question does not rise.