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Title: Need to fix the responsibility for misappropriation of funds allocated under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme in Assam.

SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN (NOWGONG): Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme is directly related with the poorest of the poor. Corruption in such a scheme means taking away food from the mouth of the poorest of the country. Due to negligence of the Government, a scam of Rs. 4060 crores was detected in Assam alone from 2007 to 2012 as disclosed by CAG. The Gram Rozgar Sevaks appointed on an ad hoc basis are made scapegoat in the entire process of corruption. Hundreds of cases have been filed in the matter but nothing has been done either to nab the culprits or to stop the misuse of public money. Feeling guilty, one Gram Rozgar Sevak took the extreme path of committing suicide. I, therefore, urge the Union Government to take suitable action on the issue.