GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1883 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.03.2018

STATUS OF SAGY

1883. SHRI SANJAY SINGH:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that as of February 2018, only 97 Lok Sabha and 27 Rajya Sabha MPs have adopted villages under the Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY);
- (b) if so, whether it can be said that adoption of villages is at an all time low;
- (c) if so, the details of SAGY activities undertaken during the last three years; and
- (d) the details of the measures proposed by Government to address the above issue and the reasons for the subdued response from MPs?

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

- (a) & (b): The Hon'ble Members of Parliament have identified 1,300 Gram Panchayats under SaansadAdarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY) till 7 March 2018. Reports on the progress of identification are available on the SAGY portal (http://saanjhi.gov.in).
- (c): So far 940 Gram Panchayats have uploaded their Village Development Plans (VDP) on the SAGY web-site (http://saanjhi.gov.in/) containing 49,864 projects. Out of these, implementation of 20,789 (42%) projects have been completed as on 07 March 2018. As per the Panchayat Darpan data uploaded by 690 Gram Panchayats on the SaansadAdarsh Gram Yojana portal, remarkable achievements have taken place in many of them: 427 Gram Panchayats under SAGY have achieved 100% of Children Immunization (0-6 age group), 252 Gram Panchayats have reported 100% Institutional delivery, 526 Gram Panchayats have 100% of Days Mid Day Meal (MDM) coverage to schools. Similarly 171 Gram Panchayats reported electricity connection to all Households and 91 Gram Panchayats have safe and secure Housing facility to all Households in the SAGY villages. Likewise, 160 Gram Panchayats have now e-Panchayat Service available at Gram Panchayats Office. Many Gram Panchayats have also made efforts in the area of ensuring social and financial security in their respective Gram Panchayats by enrolling every eligible individual to Government programmes like Jan DhanYojana (174 Gram Panchayats), Atal Pension Yojana (58 Gram Panchavats). Pradhan Mantri Suraksha BimaYoiana Gram Panchavats). (85 RashtriyaSwasthyaBimaYojna (70 Gram Panchayats), Widow Pension (332 Gram Panchayats), Old Age Pension (323 Gram Panchayats).
- (d): The Ministry, inter-alia, has taken following initiatives for better implementation of the scheme:
 - A compilation of 223 Central Sector/ Centrally Sponsored and 1,806 State Schemes for convergence under SAGY for the benefit of Members of Parliament, District and Village level officials has been prepared.
 - Under the Comprehensive Capacity Building Plan, MoRDorganised training programmes on the preparation of Village Development Plan through participatory planning and related areas of SAGY at eight regional locations across India. Through this, 653 Charge Officers who were designated as the dedicated officers for SAGY Gram Panchayats were trained by the Ministry.

- Developed a 35 point outcome indicator covering basic amenities, education, health, sanitation, livelihood, women empowerment, financial inclusion, food security, social security and e-governance to gauge the impact of SAGY in the Gram Panchayats.
- o Published a document named 'SAHYOG' as an indicative guidance document with the essential information on the existing social security schemes collated from respective Ministries to enrich the knowledge of villagers and village level functionaries to achieve 100% enrollment into the social/financial Security Schemes in SAGY Gram Panchayats.
- o Coordinated with other Central Ministries/ Departments for ensuring provision of four key basic services viz. power, drinking water, roads and education in all SAGY Gram Panchayats.
- o The Ministry has circulated suggestive template to state governments for preparing proposals for tapping support from Private, Voluntary and Cooperative (PVC) sectors. The proposals received from States/UTs have been displayed on the SAGY website for wider circulation. Further, Ministry has met with the representatives of Industry and Professional Associations linked with Ministry of Corporate Affairs and oriented them on the opportunities presented by SaansadAdarsh Gram Yojana, Mission Antyodaya and other schemes for converging private / corporate investments with the government initiatives for the development of villages.
- o Hon'ble Minister, RD has written to Chief Ministers requesting to encourage effective implementation of SAGY.
