

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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MERGER OF NFFWP WITH NREGA .
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) The implementation status of the National Food for Work Programme(NFFWP) in the State of Assam since its introduction, showing amount actually disbursed and released in targeted areas;
- (b) Whether the unspent balance of NFFWP has been merged with National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA) in those areas;
- (c) If so, the area-wise details of amount so merged and status of the half done schemes under NFFWP;
- (d) Whether nearly 40,000 MT of allotted rice against those executed schemes in Dhemaji and Lakhimpur remain undelivered;
- (e) If so, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) The time by which and the manner in which these outstanding rice are to be made available to the beneficiaries?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT(SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL)

- (a) For implementation of National Food for Work Programme(NFFWP) in the State of Assam, the year-wise and district-wise amount released by the Government of India is shown at Annexure-I.
- (b) Yes.
- (c) The district-wise amount so merged with NREGS are shown at Annexure-II. With the introduction of schemes under NREGA since 2.2.2006, the works under NFFWP were required to be completed by 30.6.06, as per instruction of Government. Accordingly, almost all half done scheme under NFFWP were completed.

However any left over schemes beyond 30.6.06, will be considered as a new scheme under NREGS and will be completed as per norms of NREGS.
- (d) Total 54,237.00 MTs of rice remain undelivered with 30818 MTs for Dhemaji and 23,419 MT for Lakhimpur district respectively.
- (e) Foodgrain remained undelivered due to inability of FCI authority to deliver the same.
- (f) Further issue of undelivered quantity of rice under NFFWP has been discontinued. There are no outstanding liabilities for foodgrain to be issued to the labourers under NFFWP.