

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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MERGER OF POVERTY ALLEVIATION AND EMPLOYMENT GENERATION SCHEMES .

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether any proposal with regard to the merger of poverty alleviation programmes and employment generation schemes alongwith increasing the financial allocations in this regard is pending with the Government;
- (b) If so, the details thereof and the time by which the revised programme is likely to be implemented;
- (c) Whether the Government has evaluated the reasons for the failure of these programmes/schemes;
- (d) If so, the outcome thereof and the steps taken to overcome the shortcomings in this regard; and
- (e) The achievement made as a result of the steps taken by the Government ?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) The Ministry of Rural Development has no pending proposal with regard to the merger of poverty alleviation programmes and employment generation schemes, as the existing schemes namely, Swarnjayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana (SGSY), Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana (SGRY), and National Rural Employment Guarantee Act

(NREGA) focus on poverty alleviation and employment generation in rural areas of the country. These schemes are being implemented satisfactorily. These schemes have been evaluated by the independent research organizations and some shortcomings and suggestions made for further improvement in the implementation, have been brought to the notice of the programme implementing agencies for corrective measures.