

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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ACTIVITIES OF NIRD ZONAL OFFICE AT GUWAHATI  
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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether National Institute of Rural Development (NIRD) Zonal Office at Guwahati organizes regular seminars, workshops and trainings;
- (b) if so, the number of training programmes organized in the current financial year indicating their names;
- (c) whether NIRD is involving Civil Societies/Academic Institutes and Trade Unions representing the Rural Workers in their programmes; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof ?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The National Institute of Rural Development (NIRD) Zonal Office at Guwahati has organized three workshops and ten training programmes during the current financial year on the subjects given below:-

Workshops

- (i) Policy Dialogue on functioning of State Institutes of Rural Development (SIRDs)
- (ii) National Rural Employment Guarantee Programme and Village Monitoring Committee: Role and Responsibilities
- (iii) Collaborative Workshop on Orientation for Micro Finance.

Training Programmes

1. Human Resource Management & Participatory Training Method
2. Planning and Management of Drinking Water and Sanitation Programmes
- 3-4. Two Courses on Office Management Using IT
5. Preparation of Capacity Building Modules with Reference to flagship programmes of Ministry of Rural Development.
6. Community Based Disaster Management
7. Sustainable Development of Agriculture
- 8-9. Two courses on Hands-on Practice of GIS Software for Rural Development
10. Computerized Database Management for Rural Development

(c) Yes, Sir. NIRD Zonal Office, Guwahati is involving the members representing Civil Societies, Community based organizations, Self-Help Group organizations and Academicians from Universities and Colleges. Involvement of the trade unions representing the rural workers depends upon the demand from the respective State Governments.

(d) During the current financial year, the programmes of NIRD Zonal Office, Guwahati have covered 85 participants from Non-Governmental Organizations and 50 from academic and other institutions.

