

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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INFRASTRUCTURE WORK IN SMALL VILLAGES UNDER NFFWP
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether infrastructure works under National Food For Work Programme (NFFWP) are not being taken up in small villages due to non-availability of fifty job seekers to start new work;
- (b) if so, the details thereof with number of Tribal and Scheduled Caste villages not covered in the scheme; and;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) NFFWP was launched in November 2004 in 150 most backward districts of the country with a view to generate supplementary wage employment and for providing food security through creation of need based economic, social and community assets in these districts. The programme has subsumed in NREGA with effect from 2.2.06. NFFWP guidelines did not provide for availability of fifty job seekers to start new work.

(b)&(c) Question does not arise.