

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) the salient features of the Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) and the current status of its coverage;
- (b) whether all the districts/blocks of West Bengal are covered under JRY;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the time by which the remaining districts/blocks are likely to be covered under JRY?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a) to (d): The Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) started from April, 1, 1989 by merging the two erstwhile wage employment programmes – National Rural Employment programme (NREP) and Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme (RLEGP) on 80:20 cost sharing basis between the Central Government and the States. The main objective of JRY was additional gainful employment for the unemployed and under-employed persons in rural areas and the creation of sustained employment by strengthening rural economic infrastructure and assets in favour of rural poor. The scheme is no longer in existence.