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Title: Need to review functioning of DISHA Committee.

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SHRIMATI KOTHAPALLI GEETHA (ARAKU): The Union Government constituted DISHA Committee to be chaired by Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha on 28th July, 2016 for effective development coordination of almost all important central schemes. Making a statement in Lok Sabha, the Hon'ble Minister for Rural Development has stated that this committee will monitor the implementation of 28 schemes and programmes of Ministry of Rural Development and other Ministries to promote synergy and convergence for greater impact.

These meetings are supposed to be held once in every quarter and this is supposed to be mandatory. But in many districts, the meetings are not conducted as per the guidelines. These meetings are being reviewed by the Ministry of Rural Development as the Minutes of the DISHA committee are to be uploaded on the website of the Ministry. Hence, I would like to request the Minister for Rural Development to issue necessary instructions for the smoother conduct of DISHA, as well as evolve a policy to closely monitor and fix responsibility on district administration so as to ensure that the guidelines of the Union Government are strictly adhered to.