

Food Security Mission, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), Total Sanitation Campaign, National Rural Drinking Water Programme etc. All these schemes have potential to address one or other aspect of Nutrition.

Request to increase Haj Quota

†*24. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has been requested by Uttarakhand State or through its public representatives to increase its quota of pilgrims going to Haj;

(b) if so, whether the Ministry is considering increase in the Haj quota at present; and

(c) if not, whether Government intends to consider it in future?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI S.M. KRISHNA) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Allocation of Haj seats to each State/Union Territory is done by the Haj Committee of India (HCOI) in proportion to population of Muslims in the State/U.T. *vis-a-vis* the national population of Muslims as per 2001 Census. Uttarakhand has been allocated its quota on the basis of this formula. However, following the order dated July 23, 2012 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, some more seats have become available. These seats will be distributed by HCOI among States/UTs, with applications in excess of their quota, in proportion to their Muslim population. Uttarakhand will get its due share from these surplus seats.

Risk-Based deposit insurance premium structure

*25. SHRI PARSHOTTAM KHODABHAI RUPALA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has received risk-based deposit insurance premium structure from RBI and Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation (DICGC) for hiking existing deposit insurance ceiling as on date;

(b) if so, further action that has been taken and by when the existing deposit insurance ceiling would be increased and what would be the ceiling limit, and

(c) the action that has been taken by RBI and Government to provide deposit insurance cover to the deposits of various credit societies?

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.