## **Status of SPMRM**

914. SHRI BAISHNAB PARIDA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) what is the status of Shyama Prasad Mukherji Rurban Mission (SPMRM);
- (b) how far it has been implemented to fill the rural urban divide;
- (c) what is the cost of this project and how much money has been spent for development of rural India; and
  - (d) what is the status of Odisha under this project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT): (a) to (c) The Shyama Prasad Mukherji Rurban Mission (SPMRM) aims at development of 300 clusters in all States and UTs. These clusters would be developed by provisioning of economic activities, developing skills & local entrepreneurship and providing infrastructure amenities. In the first phase, 100 clusters have been allocated to the States. The following components are envisaged as desirable in each cluster: (i) Skill development training linked to economic activities (ii) Agro Processing, Agri Services, Storage and Warehousing (iii) Fully equipped mobile health unit (iv) Upgrading school/higher education facilities (v) Sanitation (vi) Provision of piped water supply (vii) Solid and liquid waste management (viii) Village streets and drains (ix) Street lights (x) Inter-village road connectivity (xi) Public transport (xii) LPG gas connections (xiii) Digital literacy (xiv) Citizen Service Centres (CSC) - for electronic delivery of citizen centric services/e-gram connectivity.

For this purpose, the State Government shall identify existing Central Sector, Centrally Sponsored and State Government schemes relevant for the development of the cluster and converge their implementation in an integrated and time bound manner. The Government of India shall provide Critical Gap Funding (CGF) to the clusters to supplement the shortfall in funding available through various Government schemes in achieving the outcomes desired for the cluster. An outlay of ₹ 5142.08 crores has been allocated for the scheme for the period 2015-16 to 2019-20. During 2015-16 ₹ 32.05 crore has been released to the States for the preparation of Integrated Cluster Action Plan (ICAP). It is envisaged that as an outcome of implementing the Mission the rural urban divide will be bridged.

(d) In the first phase of the mission State of Odisha has been allocated 5 Clusters as under:

Sl. No.	Cluster	Sub-District	District
1.	Samasingha	Kolabira	Jharsuguda
2.	Banapur	Banapur	Khurda
3.	Tala Basta	Banki	Cuttack
4.	Thakurmunda (Tribal)	Thakurmunda	Mayurbhanj
5.	Utkela (Tribal)	Kesinga	Kalahandi

## Fall in work days under MGNREGA

915. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether only 9 per cent of the households which were to be benefited under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) completed 100 days of work during the last fiscal year;
- (b) whether employment under MGNREGA has been even less in drought-hit States during the last fiscal year, and
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps taken by Government to address the shortfall?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT): (a) Yes, Sir. 9.85 per cent of the households under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) completed 100 days of work during the last fiscal year.

(b) and (c) The primary objective of MGNREGA is to enhance the livelihood security of the rural households, by providing up to 100 days of guaranteed wage employment in a year to every household for doing unskilled manual work on demand to be made following a prescribed process. The details of household provided employment, total person-days generated, household completed at least 100 days, average person-days, percentage of household completed 100 days employment in respect of notified drought affected areas of the respective States are given in the Statement.