

- Currently District Photo Verification Module is getting developed to check the genuineness of work site captured photo.

(c) and (d) The Ministry has already developed and rolled out Mobile application for Mahatma Gandhi NREGA. The provisions of Mobile application of State Government will be incorporated by the Ministry, shortly.

Release of MGNREGA funds to drought-hit States

1719. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court has directed Government to release MGNREGA funds to drought-hit States on priority;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has prepared any chart of drought-hit areas in those States and the quantum of funds to be released under MGNREGA and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of funds proposed to be released to Jharkhand?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT): (a) and (b) Writ Petition No.857/2015-Swaraj Abhiyan *Vs.* Union of India and others is still *sub judice* in the Supreme Court of India. No written direction from the Hon'ble Court has been received as of now.

(c) Details of drought affected location of notified drought affected areas of 10 States and funds released during 2016-17 are given in the Statement (*See* below).

(d) No proposal for release of funds has been received from the State Government of Jharkhand.

*Statement**Drought Effective Location under MGNREGA in financial year 2015-2016*

| Sl. No. | States | Districts | | Blocks | | Panchayats | | Central funds released 2016-17 |
|---------|----------------|-----------|---------------------|--------|---------------------|------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| | | Total | Drought Effectuated | Total | Drought Effectuated | Total | Drought Effectuated | |
| 1. | Andhra Pradesh | 13 | 10 | 661 | 347 | 13084 | 6506 | 282042.20 |
| 2. | Chhattisgarh | 27 | 22 | 146 | 90 | 10971 | 6755 | 102119.70 |
| 3. | Jharkhand | 24 | 24 | 264 | 263 | 4422 | 4421 | 78916.70 |
| 4. | Karnataka | 30 | 27 | 176 | 136 | 6093 | 4436 | 65011.33 |
| 5. | Madhya Pradesh | 51 | 42 | 313 | 225 | 22827 | 17144 | 140716.20 |
| 6. | Maharashtra | 34 | 21 | 354 | 163 | 28675 | 11901 | 81729.80 |
| 7. | Odisha | 30 | 26 | 314 | 215 | 6233 | 4115 | 52807.39 |
| 8. | Rajasthan | 33 | 19 | 295 | 120 | 9896 | 2900 | 66502.27 |
| 9. | Telangana | 9 | 7 | 438 | 231 | 8831 | 4938 | 120299.90 |
| 10. | Uttar Pradesh | 75 | 50 | 824 | 541 | 59177 | 33818 | 56232.12 |
| TOTAL | | 661 | 248 | 6870 | 2331 | 262369 | 96934 | 1046377.62 |