

Sl. No.	Designation	State	Gram Panchayat
159.			Nabhichi
160.			NawadaDarobast
161.		Uttarakhand	Suphi
162.			Salli
163.			Jumma
164.		West Bengal	Alladi
165.			Dendua
166.			Salanpur
167.			Hatighisa

Status of PMRDFS

2191. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister Rural Development Fellowship Scheme (PMRDFS) is functional, if so, details thereof, State/District-wise;

(b) whether under salient features of PMRDFS, the "Fellow" is required to serve at the district level for two years, if so, the details thereof, district-wise;

(c) details regarding the batches completed under this scheme, and the future plans under the said scheme;

(d) details regarding the criteria for qualification to be a part of this scheme; and

(e) details of districts in which the scheme is currently being enforced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV): (a) to (c) A total of 156 candidates were recruited as Prime Minister Rural Development Fellows (PMRDFs) in first batch in the year 2012 and 160 candidates in second batch in the year 2014. The first batch has completed the fellowship in the year 2016 and the second batch completed the fellowship in 2017. No recruitment has been done after the year 2014 under the scheme. During the two-year fellowship period, fellows remained at the disposal of States and served the district administration in improving programme delivery and interface with the marginalised

section of the population. The detail of districts where these fellows were posted is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(d) Following criteria was prescribed under the PMRDF scheme in order to be eligible for fellowship:

For first Batch

- (i) A citizen of India
- (ii) Age between 21-30 years at the time of application;
- (iii) Graduate in Law/Engineering/Medicine/Business Administration, or Post-Graduate in any subject;
- (iv) Working Knowledge of Hindi; and
- (v) Preferably some work experience.

For Second Batch

- (i) A citizen of India
- (ii) Age between 22-27 years at the time of application. For candidates belonging to SC/ST category, the maximum age limit will be 32 years.
- (iii) At least a graduate from a recognized University with a four-year degree course, or a post-graduate from a recognized University.
- (iv) At least 50% marks in the aggregate or equivalent grade at the graduate or Post-graduate level.
- (v) Physical fitness, certified by Government Medical Hospital.

(e) No recruitment has been done after the year 2014 under the scheme. The information may therefore be treated as Nil.

Statement

List of Districts in which PMRDFs were posted

Sl. No.	States	District
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Srikakulam
2.		Visakhapatnam
3.		Vizianagaram

Sl. No.	State	District
4.		East Godavari
5.	Arunachal Pradesh	Upper Subansari
6.	Assam	Nagaon
7.		Jorhat
8.		Dhemaji
9.		Sonitpur
10.		Karbi Anglong
11.		Tinsukia
12.		Hailakandi
13.		Chirang
14.		Kokrajhar
15.	Bihar	Arwal
16.		Aurangabad
17.		Gaya
18.		Jamui
19.		Jehanabad
20.		Kaimur (Bhabua)
21.		Munger
22.		Nawada
23.		Pashchim Champaran
24.		Rohtas
25.		Sitamarhi
26.	Chhattisgarh	Balrampur
27.		Bastar
28.		Bijapur
29.		Dantewada
30.		Jashpur

Sl. No.	State	District
31.		Kawardha (Kabeerdham)
32.		Kanker Uttar Bastar
33.		Kondagaon
34.		Koriya
35.		Narayanpur
36.		Rajnandgaon
37.		Sukma
38.		Gariaband
39.		Surguja
40.	Jammu and Kashmir	Kulgam
41.		Bandipora
42.		Kupwara
43.		Budgam
44.		Poonch
45.		Rajouri
46.		Doda
47.		Kishtwar
48.		Leh
49.		Kargil
50.	Jharkhand	Bokaro
51.		Chatra
52.		East Singhbhum
53.		Garhwa
54.		Giridih
55.		Gumla
56.		Hazaribagh
57.		Khunti

Sl. No.	State	District
58.		Kodarma
59.		Latehar
60.		Lohardaga
61.		Palamu
62.		Ramgarh
63.		Ranchi (Rural)
64.		Saraikella Kharasawan
65.		Simdega
66.		West Singhbhum
67.	Madhya Pradesh	Anuppur
68.		Balaghat
69.		Chhindwara
70.		Dindori
71.		Mandla
72.		Sahdol
73.		Seoni
74.		Sidhi
75.		Singrauli
76.		Umaria
77.	Maharashtra	Gadchiroli
78.		Gondiya
79.	Manipur	Imphal East
80.	Meghalaya	West Khasi Hills
81.	Mizoram	Serchhip
82.	Nagaland	Mon
83.	Odisha	Balangir
84.		Debagarh

Sl. No.	State	District
85.		Gajapati
86.		Ganjam
87.		Jajapur
88.		Kalahandi
89.		Kandhamal
90.		Keonjhar
91.		Koraput
92.		Malkangiri
93.		Mayurbhanj
94.		Nayagarh
95.		Nabarangpur
96.		Nuapada
97.		Rayagada
98.		Sambalpur
99.		Sonapur (Subarnapur)
100.		Sundargarh
101.		Adilabad
102.	Telangana	Khammam
103.		Karim Nagar
104.		Warangal
105.	Tripura	Dhalai
106.		Chandauli
107.	Uttar Pradesh	Mirzapur
108.		Sonbhadra
109.		Bankura
110.	West Bengal	Medinipur West
111.		Purulia