1417. SHRI RAJMANI PATEL: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any effective policy formulation is necessary for planning and development of rural areas;
- (b) if so, whether any effort has been made by Government so far in this regard;
  - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (d) if not, whether Government has any future plan in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR): (a) to (c) Yes Sir. The Ministry of Rural Development plays an important role in addressing multidimensional poverty and development of rural areas across the country under specific policies and guidelines. The vision and mission of the Ministry is sustainable and inclusive growth of rural India through a multi-pronged strategy, which includes employment generation, strengthening of livelihood opportunities, promoting self-employment, skilling of rural youths, provision of social assistance and infrastructure development in rural areas. With this end in view, the Ministry, inter-alia, is implementing Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana- National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM), Deen Dayal Upadhyaya -Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY); Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana-Gramin (PMAY-G), Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), Shyama Prasad Mukherjee National Rurban Mission (SPMRM) and National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP). Implementation of these programmes is a continuous process and the progress is monitored through a robust monitoring mechanism. The Ministry undertakes Social Audit, Internal Audit, National Level Monitoring (NLM), Performance Review Committee (PRC), Common Review Mission (CRM), the inputs of which further facilitates in mid course correction with respect to policies and guidelines.

(d) Does not arise.