

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1526
ANSWERED ON 12.03.2025

MAJOR PANCHAYATS IN ANDHRA PRADESH

1526 SHRI GOLLA BABURAO:

Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is planning to develop Major Panchayats as Growth Centres;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the criteria to identify the Major Panchayats in the States; and
- (e) the details of identified Major Panchayats in the State of Andhra Pradesh?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PANCHAYATI RAJ

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(a) to (e) “Panchayat”, being “Local Government”, is a State subject and part of State List of Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India. The Ministry of Panchayati Raj (MoPR) supplements and complements the efforts of State Governments by providing financial assistance through various schemes and Finance Commission grants to enhance the functioning of Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs). In this regard, the Ministry of Panchayati Raj is implementing the Centrally Sponsored scheme of Revamped Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA) w.e.f. financial year 2022-23 in States/ UTs with the primary objective of developing governance capabilities of Panchayati Raj Institutions to deliver on Sustainable Development Goals.

This scheme also aims at enhancing capabilities of Panchayats to raise Own Sources of Revenue (OSR) and provides for interventions relating to gap filling support for economic development and income enhancement in Panchayats.

No such projects/proposal has been approved in the State of Andhra Pradesh. A List of Projects for Economic Development & Income Enhancement approved under the above scheme during the last three financial year is in Annexure.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) to (e) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1526 answered on 12.03.2025.

List of Projects for Economic Development & Income Enhancement approved under Revamped Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan scheme during last three financial year

Sl. No	State	Project Name	Approved amount (Rs in cr)
Projects approved in 2021-22			
1	Himachal Pradesh	Project on Eco Tourism based livelihood Generation	5
2	West Bengal	Tourism at Nirala Hot Spring & paniphala, Dist. West Burdwan	1.47
3		Integrated approach for economic development of the rural people of Sundarban Delta Region	1
4		Construction of Eco-Friendly Hub, Dist: Coochbehar	1.53
5		Enhancement of livelihood and cottage industry of Bonpatna Village	1
6	Madhya Pradesh	MPSRLM Special Project for Food Processing (Preservation of Vegetables and Fruits), Livelihood enhancement at Rural level, Reduction in wastage of vegetables during glut period and Institution Building	1.41
7		Enhancing Income of Rural Community in Selected Gram Panchayats/Villages through Rural Tourism Activities in MP- Phase II	5.04
8		Enhance Income and Livelihoods of SHG Women Milk Producers through Setting up Plant For Milk Products (Cheese, Ghee, Curd, Lassi etc.) in District Sagar	2.2
9	Mizoram	Handloom Design Training cum Production Centre at Thenzawl	1.41
	Total		20.06
Projects approved in 2022-23			
1	Bihar	Recognition of Prior learning & bridge programme for Plumber training	9.53
2	Karnataka	Sustainable Support for Production and Marketing of Affordable Packaged Nutritious Food Products produced by Empowered Rural SHG Women with the support of Gram Panchayats	3.17
3	Madhya Pradesh	Enhancement of MGNREGA Ajjevika Bhaukhedi Ekikrit Park	3
4		Creating Livelihood Opportunities through Tourism based Micro Enterprises in Villages of Madhya Pradesh	15
5	Uttarakhand	Parking with Cafetria and waiting loung with toilet	4
	Total		34.7

Projects approved in 2023-24			
1	Assam	Handlooms Cluster Development of Missing Traditional Attires (on Pilot Basis the project to be implemented in one district)	1.5
2	Chhattisgarh	Installation of Solar Power Unit of 500 KW each	2
3	Jharkhand	Revitalizing the Traditional Craft Cottage Industry in Gumla, Lohardaga and West Singhum Districts of Jharkhand	2
4	Maharashtra	'Set-up of Community-based Solar Drying Project for Agricultural Produces for Palaskheda Village, Tal. Jamner, Dist. Jalgaon, Maharashtra'.	3.08
5	Himachal Pradesh	Ecotourism based Livelihood Generation at Gram Panchayat Hareta in Development Block Nadaun of District Hamirpur, Himachal Pradesh	2
6		Ecotourism based Livelihood Generation at Kamyana Hilltop in Development Block Mashobra of District Shimla	2
7	Madhya Pradesh	Development of a Responsible Souvenir through Art & Craft Promotion, in the village of MP for Economic Development and Income Enhancement under Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan	2
8	Sikkim	Solar Power Installation at DPRC	0.62
9	Uttarakhand	Portable Vacuum based Automatic Waste Picker Machine	11.74
	Total		26.94
