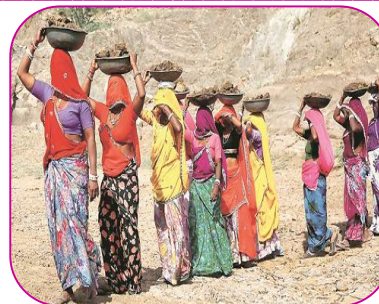


**PERFORMANCE OF MGNREGA IN INDIA****Nagaraja J.**

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**ABSTRACT:**

The performance of MGNREGA has been seen with the Table-1. Table -1, throws light on the district covered under and other indicators of the MGNREGA. MGNREGA has covered 685 district, 6863 blocks and 262774 Gram Panchayats., 12.52 Crore Job Cards have been issued (6.72 active Job Cards), 25.21 Crore workers involved in the work (10.42 Crore active workers), 20.24 crore SC and 16.61 Crore ST workers have been benefited under the scheme.

KEYWORDS : performance of MGNREGA , physical performance.**Table 1: Job Cards Details of MGNREGA among India and Karnataka**

Particulars (As on 14-06-2017)	India	Karnataka	% to India
Total No. of Districts	685	30	4.38
Total No. of Blocks	6,863	176	2.56
Total No. of GPs	2,62,776	6,024	2.29
Total No. of Job Cards issued[In Cr/In Lakhs]	1264000	5346	0.42
Total No. of Workers[In Cr/In Lakhs]	2521000	13779	0.55
Total No. of Active Job Cards[In Cr/In Lakhs]	675000	255	0.04
Total No. of Active Workers[In Cr/In Lakhs]	1046000	5947	0.57
(i)SC worker against active workers[%]	20.23	16.35	-3.88
(ii)ST worker against active workers[%]	16.61	8.68	-7.93

Source:http://mnregaweb2.nic.in/netnrega/homestciti.aspx?state_code=15&state_name=KARNATAKA accessed on 14-06-2017.

Further the details of the progress of MGNREGA continued in the Table-2. Which focuses on the physical performance of the scheme and other details like Approved Labour Budget, Person days Generated so far, % of Total LB; % as per Proportionate LB; SC person days % as of total person days; ST person days % as of total person days; Women Person days out of Total (%); Average days of employment provided per Household; Average Wage rate per day per person(Rs.); Total No of HHs completed 100 Days of Wage Employment; Total Households Worked; Total Individuals Worked; Differently abled persons worked; Works Number of GPs with NIL exp; Total No. of Works Taken up (New + Spill Over); Number of On-going Works; Number of Completed Works; % of NRM Expenditure(Public + Individual); % of Category B Works; % of Expenditure on Agriculture & Agriculture Allied Works; Financial Progress; Total centre Release; Total Availability etc. Data's are given for the recent four years for India and Karnataka State. Approved budget is fluctuating over the years. Man days generated is continuously increasing, number of Gram panchayts has increased progressively. 60 per cent of the works are completed on time and financial assistant provided by the centre has increased alarmingly over the years.

Table 2: Comparison of Progress of MGNREGA between India and Karnataka

Progress	FY 2013-2014		FY 2014-2015		FY 2015-2016		FY 2016-2017	
	India (in Crores)	Karnataka (in Lakhs)	India (in Crores)	Karnataka (in Lakhs)	India (in Crores)	Karnataka (in Lakhs)	India (in Crores)	Karnataka (in Lakhs)
Approved Labour Budget[In Lakhs]	258.57	692.61	220.67	933.95	239.112	717.91	220.9274	1000
Person days Generated so far[In Lakhs]	220.37	718.86	166.21	433.28	235.1465	598.38	235.7646	915.21
% of Total LB	85.23	103.79	75.32	46.39	98.34	83.35	106.72	91.52
% as per Proportionate LB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SC person days % as of total person days	22.81	15.89	22.4	15.85	22.29	16.34	21.28	15.96
ST person days % as of total person days	17.52	7.94	16.97	8.18	17.8	8.99	17.6	9.18
Women Person days out of Total (%)	52.82	46.59	54.88	46.86	55.26	47.12	56.11	47.21
Average days of employment provided per Household	45.97	49.56	40.17	39.61	48.85	48.43	46.04	50.29
Average Wage rate per day per person(Rs.)	132.7	173.62	143.92	190.26	154.08	203.7	161.67	223.37
Total No of HHs completed 100 Days of Wage Employment	46,59,347	1,17,725	24,92,654	41,315	48,47,975	1,32,977	39,87,567	1,96,821
Total Households Worked[In Lakhs]	4.79	14.5	4.14	10.94	4.8134	12.36	5.1212	18.2
Total Individuals Worked[In Lakhs]	7.39	42.33	6.22	30.08	7.2261	30.27	7.6635	44.23
Differently abled persons worked	4,86,495	7801	4,13,316	5284	4,59,597	5445	4,69,786	8022
Works								
Number of GPs with NIL exp	27,154	476	39,531	529	39,469	191	19,429	8
Total No. of Works Takenup (New+Spill Over)[In Lakhs]	93.52	8.79	97.65	9.77	123.12	8.24	160.01	10.61
Number of Ongoing Works[In Lakhs]	66.1	6.88	68.21	4.98	86.94	5.07	99.08	7.88
Number of Completed Works	27.42	1,90,754	29.44	4,79,295	36.18	3,17,381	60.93	2,72,949
% of NRM Expenditure(Public + Individual)	48	60.94	49.2	52.38	58.71	61.66	60.22	63.33
% of Category B Works	17.6	13.32	21.4	15.13	33.8	58.1	38.45	72.38
% of Expenditure on Agriculture &	48.7	63.39	52.81	60.94	62.85	74.75	66.03	77.23

Agriculture Allied Works								
Financial Progress								
Total center Release	32,746.27	159606.81	32,139.10	171687.07	35,974.64	99155.27	47,568.73	225864.88
Total Availability	42,103.88	204486.32	37,588.03	195512.8	43,380.72	131348.19	56,876.82	267841.21
Total Exp (Rs. in Lakhs.)	38,552.62	2,06,296.66	36,025.04	1,66,586.29	44,002.59	1,82,194.35	58,312.65	3,31,000.55
Percentage Utilization	91.56	100.89	95.84	85.2	101.43	138.71	102.52	123.58
Wages (Rs. In Lakhs)	26,491.21	1,42,392.37	24,187.26	98,901.23	30,890.96	1,12,047.72	40,780.26	2,15,643.28
Material and skilled Wages (Rs. In Lakhs)	9,693.72	57,660.02	9,421.11	60,741.35	10,748.28	60,930.27	14,711.20	1,05,859.94
Material (%)	26.79	28.82	28.03	38.05	25.81	35.22	26.51	32.93
Total Adm Expenditure (Rs. in Lakhs.)	2,367.68	6,244.27	2,416.67	6,943.70	2,363.36	9,216.36	2,821.19	9,497.34
Admin Exp (%)	6.14	3.03	6.71	4.17	5.37	5.06	4.84	2.87
Liability (Wages) (Rs. in Lakhs.)	470.88	2,087.66	473.37	818.51	340.44	513.45	1,725.98	1,926.75
Average Cost Per Day Per Person (In Rs.)	183.47	232.12	206.13	301.46	202.46	304.16	230.8	346.83
% of Total Expenditure through EFMS	37.17	93.76	77.35	95.63	91.19	95.82	93.06	99.62
% payments generated within 15 days	50.09	27.76	26.85	11.34	36.92	29.8	42.39	45.42

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6.1.1 PERFORMANCE OF MGNREGA IN KARNATAKA STATE

MGNREGA has covered total 30 districts, 176 blocks and 6022 Gram Panchayats in Karnataka state. 53.42 lakh Job Cards issued (25.38 active), total 137.8 workers (59.3 active), 16.34 lakh SC and 8.67 lakh ST workers are involved in the scheme in Karnataka (Table-1). Further the details of the progress of MGNREGA continued in the Table-2. Data's are given for the recent four years for both India and Karnataka State. Approved budget is fluctuating over the years for Karnataka State. Man days generated is also fluctuating, number of Gram panchayts has declined drastically in Karnataka. 77 per cent of the works are completed on time and financial assistant provided by the centre has been fluctuating over the years (Table-2).

FINDINGS FROM SECONDARY INFORMATION

- MGNREGA has covered 685 district, 6863 blocks and 262774 Gram Panchayats in India.
- 12.52 Crore Job Cards have been issued of which 6.72 were active Job Cards,
- 25.21 Crore workers involved in the work of which 10.42 Crore were active workers,
- 21.28 percent of SC and 17.6 percent of ST workers have been benefited under this scheme in the year 2016-17 in India.
- Women Person days out of Total percentage was 56.11 in 2016-17 at national level.
- Total No of House Holds completed 100 Days of Wage Employment was 39,85,638 in India.
- Total 5.1202 Crore households worked in 2016-17 at national level.
- Total 7.6615 Crore individuals worked in 2016-17 at national level.

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- Average Wage rate per day per person was Rs. 223.37 in 2016-17 in Karnataka.
- Total No of House Holds completed 100 Days of Wage Employment was 1,96,822 for the same year.

SUGGESTIONS

With the steady progress being made by the schemes undertaken under MGNREGA, improved administrative and implementation structure in place and other associated factors, MGNREGA could be considered to play vital role in strengthening rural economy. However, this can be possible unless several issues are focused in the future.

- Central government and State Government NGO's create awareness for the publicity of MGNREGA to provide employment opportunity to the every rural household.
- The wage rate has to be increased from present Rs. 236 to Rs 300.
- The employment of 100 days should be increased 150 days for rural households and employment opportunities should be provided to every rural household.
- A quality awareness campaign (IEC) with a focus on details of the provisions and entitlement of the scheme should be undertaken to popularise the scheme and to bring awareness among the rural households.
- Realistic estimation of labour demand through household survey of job card holders, appropriate planning of works and their execution to ensure adequate worker participation rate in MGNREGA is very much essential.
- Strengthening of demand registration processes so that all those who wish to apply for work under MGNREGA are facilitated and unmet needs for wage employment are fully addressed.
- The works on the land of marginalised sections viz., SC, ST households should be given more priority and special efforts should be made to provide full 100 days of employment to these households.
- Adequate steps towards timely work completion should be ensured.
- For the poor households in the rural areas, wage is the main source of income. Therefore, timely payment of wages to workers as mandated in the Act should be ensured. The Unemployment Allowance payable as per provisions of the Act for non-provision of works within 15 days of registering of demand for work also needs to be made operational.
- Social audits have to be conducted effectively and regularly and findings of it have to be put up in the public domain.
- Provision of adequate human resources at all levels of programme implementation holds the key to success of MGNREGA. The PRIs need functionaries, especially at Gram Panchayats to perform to their fullest potential.
- To ensure more women participation in MGNREGA, (i) worksite facilities such as crèches, drinking water, shade etc., should be provided (ii) encourage participation of women groups, including Self-Help Groups (Sthree Shakti) in awareness generation, capturing of demand, planning, implementation, monitoring and maintenance of works.



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