

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2711
ANSWERED ON 04/08/2026**

VB-GRAM-G SCHEME FOR ASSAM

2711. Shri Joyanta Basumatary:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and total number of person-days generated under Viksit Bharat Guarantee for Rozgar and Aajeevika Mission-Gramin (VB-GRAM-G) scheme in Assam since 2025 with a special category for flood-affected and remote districts in Assam, district-wise;**
- (b) the details of funds allocated, released and utilised under VB-GRAM-G in Assam since 2025, year-wise;**
- (c) whether the transition to the VB-GRAM-G will address issues such as declining person days, wage delays, and seasonal disruptions in flood-prone regions like Assam, if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) the manner in which such issues will be addressed, if not, the reasons therefor; and**
- (e) whether any region-specific reforms or flood-resilient works are being planned to ensure sustained rural employment generation in the States of the North-Eastern Region, if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI KAMLESH PASWAN)**

(a) & (b): Consequent upon enactment of Viksit Bharat-Guarantee for Rozgar and Aajeevika Mission (Gramin) (VB-G RAM G), Act 2025, the scheme has been operationalized in rural areas of the entire country with effect from 1st July, 2026 including Assam. District-wise details of persondays generated under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS and VB-G RAM G Scheme in the State of Assam, during the last financial years and current financial year 2026-27 (as on 30.07.2026) are at Annexure.

With regard to fund allocation under VB- G RAM G, which came into force w.e.f 01.07.2026, it is stated that for FY 2026-27, an interim allocation Rs.1929.70 crore has been made for the State. Subsequently, Mother Sanctions amounting to Rs.630.96 Crore have been issued to the State as first installment of Central Share under various components based on the proposal received, out of which the State has so far utilised an amount of Rs.18.58 Crore.

(c) to (e): The Viksit Bharat–Guarantee for Rozgar and Aajeevika Mission (Gramin) (VB-G RAM G) Act, 2025 provides for a statutory guarantee of one hundred and twenty five days of wage employment in a financial year to every rural household whose adult members volunteer to undertake unskilled manual work, as against one hundred days under the erstwhile Mahatma Gandhi NREGS. The Act also provides for technology-enabled implementation, timely payment of wages in accordance with the prescribed timelines, payment of delay compensation wherever applicable, and a time-bound grievance redressal mechanism.

Under VB–G RAM G Scheme, climate resilience, adaptation, and mitigation of extreme weather risks form an integral part of the statutory rural employment and asset creation framework. Within the planning framework, climate resilience and adaptation are embedded as core priorities under the Scheme. Permissible and priority categories of works include water conservation, watershed development, groundwater recharge, afforestation, source sustainability, flood and drought mitigation measures, and restoration and strengthening of natural resource assets. The Schedule to the Act further provides a dedicated thematic areas of works related to “Special works to mitigate Extreme Weather Events and Disaster Preparedness,” with an explicit thematic focus on disaster risk reduction, climate adaptation, and protection of rural communities and assets from floods, cyclones, storms, droughts, landslides, forest fires, and other extreme weather events.

Illustrative works under this category include construction of cyclone shelters, flood shelters, and multipurpose disaster-resilient structures; diversion channels, embankments, and other disaster-mitigation works; stabilising ponds and water structures for flood management; post-disaster rehabilitation and restoration of rural roads and community assets windbreak and shelter-belt plantations; and forest fire management works such as fire breaks and fuel buffer zones. The intended outcome of these provisions is the creation of climate-resilient villages capable of withstanding extreme weather conditions.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in the reply to parts (a) & (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2711 dated 04.08.2026.

District-wise details of persondays generated under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS and VB-G RAM G Scheme in the State of Assam, during the last financial years and current financial year 2026-27 (as on 30.07.2026).

Sl. No.	District	Persondays generated	
		2025-26 (Mahatma Gandhi NREGS)	2026-27 (Mahatma Gandhi NREGS and VB G RAM G)
1	Bajali	424498	75238
2	Baksa	1530748	267307
3	Barpeta	2101292	1010763
4	Biswanath	2164971	659139
5	Bongaigaon	797451	147792
6	Cachar	2577171	508406
7	Charaideo	623384	191511
8	Chirang	1094358	239022
9	Darrang	2540026	1090408
10	Dhemaji	1607772	651000
11	Dhubri	2812789	1270655
12	Dibrugarh	1269452	304524
13	Dima Hasao	339191	135293
14	Goalpara	1150780	723789
15	Golaghat	2085646	799924
16	Hailakandi	1518496	911767
17	Hojai	1656394	662380
18	Jorhat	967201	230683
19	Kamrup	3065525	1129918
20	Kamrup (Metro)	119612	26715
21	Karbi Anglong	1655163	419876
22	Kokrajhar	2775918	958803
23	Lakhimpur	2098755	1154547
24	Majuli	519654	273520
25	Morigaon	1949766	983291
26	Nagaon	4041415	1842789
27	Nalbari	1572160	464621
28	Sivasagar	1497970	340751
29	Sonitpur	1634578	534210
30	South Salmara-Mankachar	879038	260580
31	Sribhumi	1886134	659355
32	Tamulpur	676395	216601
33	Tinsukia	1719334	688332
34	Udalguri	2229253	635841
35	West Karbi Anglong	597945	74353
	Total	56180235	20543709
