



VB-G RAM G Act to Come into Force from July 1, 2026; "No Eligible Rural Worker Should Remain Without Work Even for a Day": Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan

125 Days of Guaranteed Wage Employment to Strengthen Rural Livelihoods: Shivraj Singh Chouhan

Government Completes All Preparations for Seamless Nationwide Rollout

Interim Allocation of ₹95,692.31 Crore allocated to States and UTs to Ensure Seamless Nationwide Rollout of VB-G RAM G Act

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The Viksit Bharat – Guarantee for Rozgar and Aajeevika Mission (Gramin) [VB-G RAM G] Act, 2025 will come into force across rural India with effect from July 1, 2026, ushering in a strengthened framework for rural employment, livelihood security and sustainable village development. The Act enhances the statutory wage employment guarantee from 100 days to 125 days for every eligible rural household and seeks to create durable rural assets while accelerating the vision of Viksit Bharat @2047.



On the eve of the nationwide rollout, Union Minister for Rural Development and Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan said that no eligible rural worker should remain without work even for a single day. He said the Government of India, in close coordination with the States and Union Territories, has completed all administrative, financial and technical preparations to ensure a seamless transition to the new framework.

"Our priority is to ensure that no eligible rural worker remains without work even for a single day. The Centre and the States have worked together to complete all preparations for the implementation of the VB-G RAM G Act. Adequate financial resources have been made available, implementation systems are fully in place and ongoing works will continue without interruption. The enhanced guarantee of 125 days of wage employment will strengthen rural livelihoods, create durable community assets and accelerate the vision of Viksit Bharat," Shri Chouhan said.

To facilitate the nationwide rollout, the Government has allocated an interim allocation of ₹95,692.31 crore to States and Union Territories to ensure uninterrupted implementation, timely wage payments and seamless transition from the very first day of implementation. The allocation reflects the Government's commitment to ensuring that no State faces any disruption in implementing the new framework.

The Government has ensured a smooth transition to the new framework. Ongoing works will continue without interruption, while existing e-KYC verified job cards will remain valid until the issuance of the new Gramin Rozgar Guarantee Cards, ensuring uninterrupted access to employment and timely payment of wages.

The Act places Gram Panchayats at the centre of rural transformation, with greater emphasis on durable asset creation, natural resource management, water conservation, agriculture and allied activities, rural infrastructure, women's empowerment through Self Help Groups, convergence with flagship rural development programmes, and technology-enabled transparent governance. The new framework aims to strengthen village economies, generate sustainable livelihoods and improve the quality of life in rural India through participatory planning and effective implementation.

The implementation of the VB-G RAM G Act marks a significant milestone in India's rural development journey and reinforces the Government's commitment to building self-reliant, resilient and prosperous rural communities as the foundation of Viksit Bharat @2047.

Rashtriya Gramin Vikas Sammelan Reaffirms States' Commitment to Effective Implementation of the VB-G RAM G Act

In the recently concluded RGVS, All States' Rural Development Ministers apprised HMRD about the readiness of the States in operationalising the Act from July 1st. 29 States/UTs have made budgetary provisions and 24 States have already notified the VB G RAM G State Scheme.

National Launch of the Viksit Bharat – Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin) Act, 2025 to be Held in Andhra Pradesh on July 2

The national launch of the Viksit Bharat – Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin) Act, 2025 (VB-G RAM G Act) will be held on July 2, 2026, at Mukkavaripalli Village in Obulavaripalle Mandal of Tirupati district, Andhra Pradesh. Union Minister for Rural Development and Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan will formally launch the Mission. The event will be attended by Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Shri N. Chandrababu Naidu, Deputy Chief Minister Shri Konidala Pawan Kalyan, Union Ministers of State Dr. Chandra Sekhar Pemmasani and Shri Kamlesh Paswan, along with other dignitaries.

During the programme, Gramin Rozgar Guarantee Cards will be distributed to beneficiary households, the VB-G RAM G Mission will be formally launched, an awareness film on the Mission will be screened, and a Compendium of Op-Ed Articles on the Mission will also be released.

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