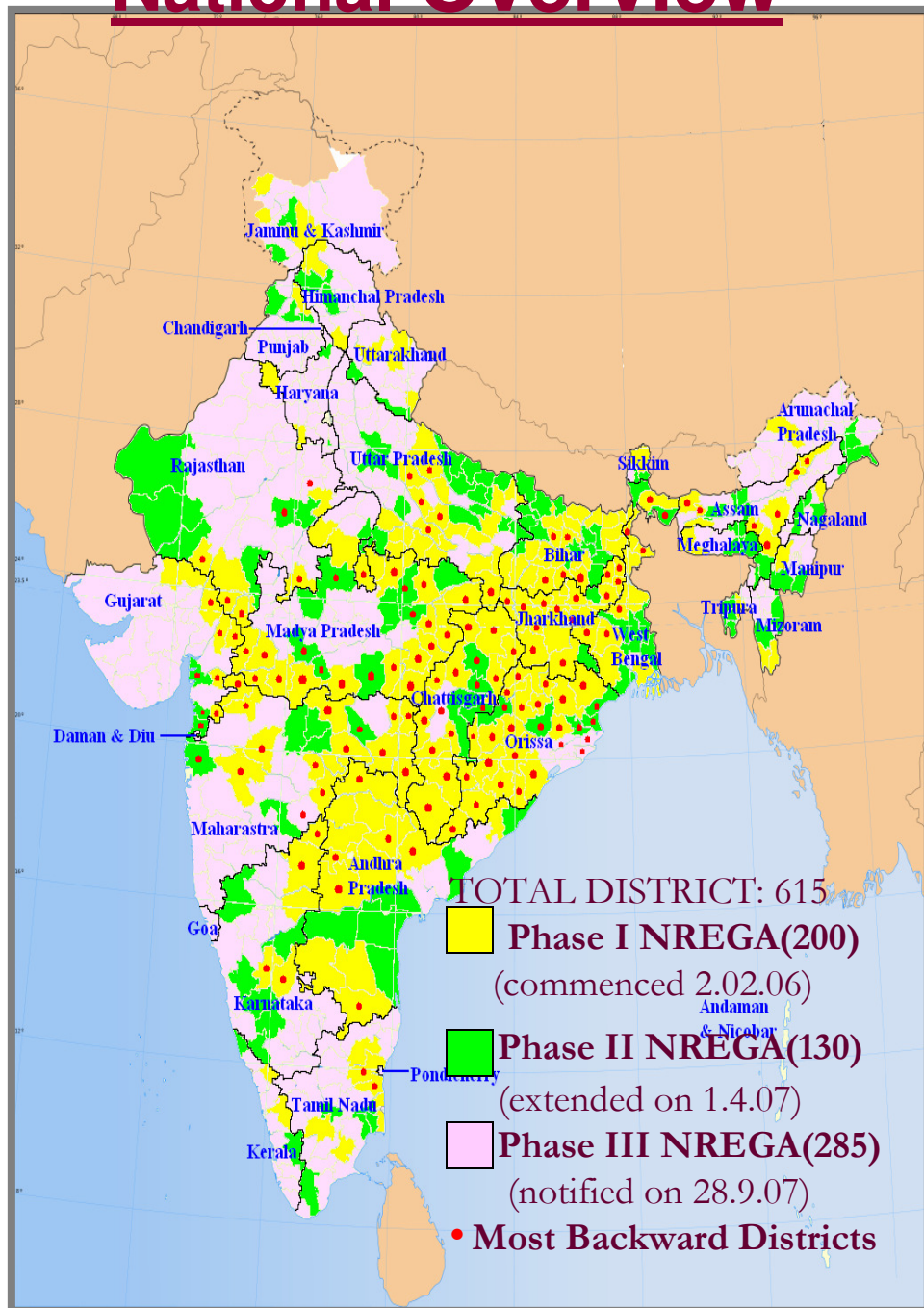


# **Sustainable Development through Inter-sectoral Convergence**

**ICAR-NREGA Interface  
Meeting**

# National Overview



# Performance

## Employment Provided

**2006-07:** 2.10 crore Households  
**2007-08:** 3.39 crore Households  
**2008-09:** 4.24 crore Households (upto Mid-March 09)

## Persondays

**2006-07:** 90.50 crore  
**SC & ST:** 61%, **Women:** 41%  
**2007-08:** 143.59 crore  
**SC & ST:** 57%, **Women:** 43%  
**2008-09:** 193.80 crore (upto Mid-March 09)  
**SC & ST:** 55%, **Women:** 48%

## Works Taken up

**2006-07:** 8.3 lakhs  
**Water Conservation & Irrigation Facility:** 64%  
**2007-08:** 17.8 lakhs  
**Water Conservation & Irrigation Facility:** 64%  
**2008-09:** 25.22 lakhs (upto Mid-March'09 )  
**Water Conservation & Irrigation Facility:** 66%

## Total Expenditure

**2006-07:** 8823.35 crore  
**2007-08:** 15856.89 crore  
**2008-09:** 24509.06 crore (upto Mid-March'09)

## Amount spent on wages

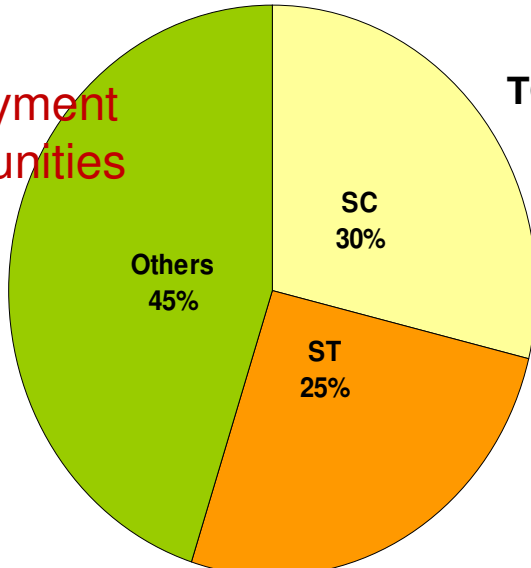
**2006-07:** 5842.37 crore  
**2007-08:** 10738.47 crore  
**2008-09:** 16355.06 crore (67%)

**Wage earners account in Bank/Post office:** 6.63 crore

# NREGA OUTCOMES (615 Districts): Financial Year 2008-09

NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS PROVIDED EMPLOYMENT: 4.24 CRORE

Employment opportunities

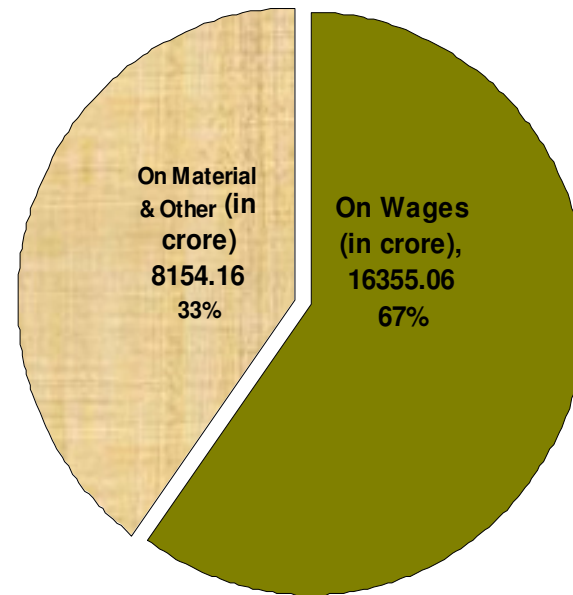
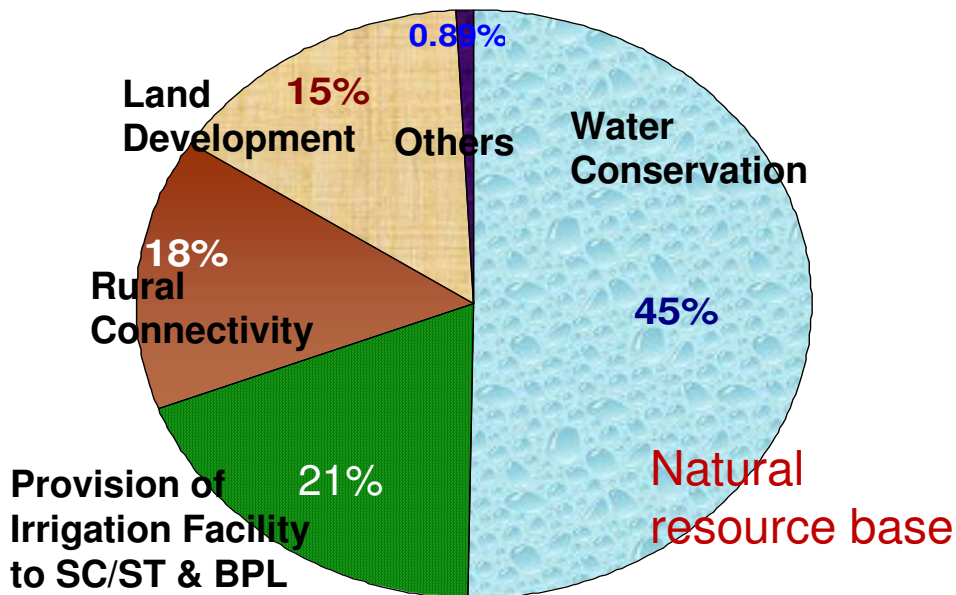


TOTAL PERSONDAYS GENERATED: 193.80 CRORE



TOTAL WORKS TAKENUP: 25.22 LAKHS

TOTAL EXPENDITURE: 24509.22 CRORE



## Convergence with NREGS

- In **operational terms**, convergence between programmes will be at the levels of
  - **Management**
  - **Planning**
  - **Target: Works/Worker/Area.**
  - **Technical Support**

## Management: setting up common mechanisms

- DPC NREGA (Collector/CEO) will constitute a District Resource Group (DRG)
- Representatives from Departments of
  - ❖ Rural Development( NREGA and SGSY)
  - ❖ KVK Officers
  - ❖ Panchayati Raj
  - ❖ Any other agency
- Similar resource groups at the Block level (BRG: BDO/CEO, PO, Technical Assts) and Village (VRG: Technical Assistants, GP sarpanch, GRS, Mate)

### DRG will facilitate

- Sharing Resources
- Planning.
- Training
- Technical support

## Planning.

Perspective Plan for five years.

- Professional agency may be engaged for this(10.lakh per district for this)
- Blend professional expertise with participatory planning for more informed choices
- **NREGA perspective plans** identifies the needs and gaps in the district in all sectors, not just related to works permissible under NREGA.
- **DRG (through professionals) to ensure BRG/VRG training on the methodology of convergence between NAP and NREGA.**
- BRG/VRG to facilitate village level participatory planning

# Planning.

## Annual work plan (AWP)

- Permits flexibility, priority, seasonality in works to be taken up for a particular year
- Lists shelf of projects recommended by the gram sabha and finalised by the Gram Panchayat/IP/ZP.
- Institutional platform for such dovetailing will be the gram sabha at the village level, and then the GP.
- The Programme Officer and the BRG at the Block level and the DPC and the DRG at the district level will ensure that the selection of works are in mutual coordination.
- The DRG will ensure that the technical quality of the plan is maintained as per the norms of KVK (Type of work, location technology and season of work).

## Planning for works Levels of works under NREGA

- **Works approved but not yet started**  
Re-scrutinize shelf of projects to assess the feasibility of works selected
- **Ongoing works**  
Expertise be marshaled for quality & planning next set of activities
- **Works completed**  
List of works completed be shared with KVK
- **Works yet to be selected**  
Planning process be followed

# ICAR

- **Value adding activities on NREGA work.**
- (i) **Field Demonstration of technologies** by KVK on individual land holdings developed under NREGA as for example
  - Acid soil amelioration & micronutrient disorder management technique
  - Low energy water application (LEWA)
  - Grafting in anwla and ber
  - Enriched compost production
- (ii) **Supporting income generating activities based on primary activities under NREGA . This may be dovetailing micro credit schemes ( such as SGSY) and ICAR technologies as for example**
  - Vermicomposting, Mushroom cultivation, Bee keeping, Sericulture, Bamboo products, Pisciculture
- iii) **NRM activities where the expertise of KVKs can be used in conjunction with the choice of works under NREGA:**
  - **Water Conservation:** Embankments, Farm Ponds, Waste water recycling system for irrigation, Contour trenching: **Ground water recharge** Recharge shafts, Series of low height earthen/stone check dams across streams **Flood Control and Protection works** :Development of drainage system in water logged areas, Drainage line treatment: Drop and chute structure

## Strategies of NREGA and ICAR convergence

- Technical expertise of the KVK may be used for following purpose
  - a. Appropriate choice of work in particular area (At the planning stage)
  - b. Quality enhancing technologies/technical support (At the design and Execution stages)
  - c. Value addition on NREGA work (after completion of the NREGA work)
  - d. Augmenting Capacity: Training of technical staff
  - e. Sharing resources for communication, monitoring and evaluation

## Operational Steps for Convergence will include the following:

- ICAR will identify the resource institution's for each district.
- The District Programme Coordinator (DPC) will constitute a small group at the district level with representatives of the resource institution's and also of DRDA personnel responsible for SGSY.
- ICAR database of natural resource mapping for that district will be shared with the group. The Shelf of projects formulated under NREGA will be scrutinized against the NRM data base to assess the feasibility of works selected/ to be selected.
- List of works taken up on individual land under NREGS will be shared with KVK

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- KVK will indicate appropriate activities/technologies for each work for value addition
- KVK will also take up its front line demonstrations on such land
- Training plan for NREGA personnel will be drawn up and implemented
- Income generating activities with the help of SGSY and processing technologies from KVK will be introduced by organizing NREGA workers/beneficiaries around the primary NREGA activity

# Deliverables:

- Infusion of quality technology from ICAR makes NREGA works acquire the features of physically durable asset
- Dissemination and demonstration of ICAR's value added technologies on land developed under NREGA
- NREGA workers/beneficiaries organized into SHG with access to additional fund/ training for income generation activities

## Monitoring and evaluation

- Central level: Joint Review Mission for each quarter
- By SRG/DRG.
- Baseline assessment
- Concurrent appraisal:
- Evaluation & Impact Assessment on a set of indicators
- Quantification of benefits of works undertaken could also be taken up
- Documentation.
- Joint Monitoring and Evaluation of the project
- Common Reports

## Non -Negotiables in work execution:

- Only Job Card holders to be employed for NREGA component.
- Muster rolls to be maintained on work site, with copies in the gram panchayat and to be electronically maintained on [nrega.nic.in](http://nrega.nic.in)
- Social Audits to be done through gramsabhas.
- Wage payments will be through no frills accounts in banks/post office

# Follow Up

- Set up SRG
  - Setting up DRG
  - Identifying Projects to be taken up
  - Planning holistically for them in terms of
    - o Technology
    - o Linkages with income generation
  - Training
  - Monitoring Review and monthly reporting in prescribed format
  - Concurrent research
  - Documentation
- A district time line plan for all above.
- Catch the next sowing season
  - Administrative costs be factored in 6%
  - District Action plan be co-signed by DPC and KVK in charge and be placed on websites-NREGA and ICAR