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Current Affairs Quiz 41

Directions: Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given beside.

Finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman said the job creation drive that Prime Minister Narendra Modi has now kicked off will focus on 116 districts across six states that are home to most of the migrant workers who returned from urban areas during the coronavirus pandemic.

Sitharaman said 25 welfare schemes which cover creation of assets, building houses and facilities for farmers will be pooled under this drive -- Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyaan -- for quick delivery of jobs.

"Within 125 days, nearly 25 schemes of the government are going to be brought together and we shall reach saturation levels for each of those schemes within that period," said Sitharaman, explaining that schemes for providing drinking water, road building and house construction will be expedited in these districts for which the returned migrant workers will be employed.

Skills of workers have been mapped in 116 districts, the minister said, adding that everyone who needs a job will be hired. "The objectives of the schemes will be achieved by the returned migrants. The Rs. [1] crore focused job creation drive is in effect frontloading of the already approved central budget, but any additional amount needed, will be added," Sitharaman said.

"We are pooling this from 25 different projects so that at district levels, returned migrant workers will be employed during those 125 days," the minister said.

"Workers can be certain that they will have work where they have returned to," Sitharaman said.

The drive will cover the states of Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, [2], Jharkhand and Odisha and include 27 most backward districts.

Each of the chosen 116 districts are estimated to have received mre than 25,000 returned migrant workers, accounting for two-third of all the returned migrant workers.



- 1. What amount [1] has been set aside to provide jobs to migrants through 25 schemes under Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyaan?
- A. 1 lakh cr

B. 50,000 cr

C. 76,000 cr

- D. 1.25 lakh cr
- 2. Which is the 6th state [2] among others in which these jobs will be provided?
- A. Rajasthan
- B. Chattisgarh
- C. Maharashtra
- D. Gujarat

- 3. When was MGNREGA scheme launched in India?
- A. 2001

B. 2014

C. 2010

- D. 2005
- 4. For how many days MGNREGA guarantee employment to unskilled workers?
- A. 125

B. 50

C. 100

D. 200



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Explanations:

1. This campaign of 125 days, which will work in mission mode, will involve intensified and focused implementation of 25 different types of works to provide employment to migrant workers on one hand and create infrastructure in the rural regions of the country on the other, with a resource envelope of Rs 50,000 crore.

Hence, option B is correct.

2. A total of 116 districts with more than 25,000 migrant workers each across Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Jharkhand and Odisha have been chosen for the campaign which includes 27 aspirational districts.

Hence, option A is correct.

3. The scheme under MGNREGA or the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, promises unskilled manual work to every adult for at least 100 days in rural parts of the country. It was introduced in 2005. The scheme is called Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS).

Hence, option D is correct.

4. The mandate of the MGNREGA is to provide at least 100 days of guaranteed wage employment in a financial year to every rural household whose adult members volunteer to do unskilled manual work.

Hence, option C is correct.





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