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RURAL EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMME IN BIHAR: AN EVOLUTION

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ABSTRACT

The National Rural Employment Programme was started in October, 1980 to achieve this objective. It replaced the Food for work Programme and became a part of the Sixth Five Year Plan from 1st April, 1981.

The Finance Ministry in his Budget speech for the year 1989-90 announced a new scheme for intensive employment in backward districts with acute poverty and unemployment to be implemented in 120 districts for which a provision of R.500/- crores was mad.

As per Jawahar Rojgar Yojana guidelines, works which result in creation of durable productive community assets are taken up under the Yojana.

MGNREGA is the first ever law, internationally, that guarantees wage employment at an unprecedented scale. The primary objective of the Act is meeting demand for wage employment in rural areas.

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