

Perceptions of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) workers in select mandals of Prakasam District in Andhra Pradesh – A Case Study

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Abstract - People who live in rural areas in India adopted various employment methods to earn money to fulfill their minimum requirements. But, still they are not finding proper employment and do not have sufficient earnings. In the year 2006 October 2nd government of India started an employment guarantee scheme called “Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme” (MGNREGS) to provide employment to the people who live in rural areas by enacting a bill in the parliament as an Act. The present research was undertaken to assess the problems faced by MGNREGS workers, to evaluate the perceptions and socio economic problems of MGNREGS workers in select mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh.

Key Words: Rural India, Employment Guarantee, MGNREGS

INTRODUCTION:

More than seventy per cent population lives in rural areas in India, near about eighty per cent out of it struggle for daily minimum requirements. People who live in rural areas mostly depend on government schemes like public distribution system, government insurance schemes and public health centers and the like. People who live in rural areas in India adopted various employment methods to earn money to fulfill their minimum requirements. But, still they are not finding proper employment and do not have sufficient earnings. In the year 2006 October 2nd government of India started an employment guarantee scheme to provide employment to the people who live in rural areas called “Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme” (MGNREGS) by passing a bill in the parliament as an Act. This scheme provides minimum guarantee of employment and wage for a family who live in rural areas.

OBJECTIVES:

Main objectives of the present research paper are as follows,

1. To assess the problems faced by the MGNREGS workers in select mandals of Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh
2. To evaluate the perceptions and socio economic problems of MGNREGS in select mandals of Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh

HYPOTHESES:

Based on the objectives discussed above the following null hypotheses were used to test the data collected by the researcher.

H01: There is no association between problems faced by the MGNREGS workers in select mandals of Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh

H02: There is no homogeneity on the perceptions and socio economic problems of MGNREGS workers in select mandals of Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh

RESEARCH DESIGN:

To conduct the present research both the primary and secondary data have been used to get the best result.

PRIMARY DATA:

The Prakasam district is located geographically central in the state of Andhra Pradesh, Ongole as its district headquarters. There are two geographical divisions in Andhra Pradesh namely, Coastal Andhra and Rayalaseema. Though, Prakasam district is related to coastal Andhra but it has the connectivity to Rayalaseema. Actually, the present Prakasam district has formed by grouping few of the mandals from Guntur, Nellore and Kurnool districts. The major reason behind to select the Prakasam district because it carved from Coastal Andhra and Rayalaseema regions, so it almost represents both the regions. Prakasam district has 56 mandals and 1028 gram panchayaths out of those 5 mandals and from each of the mandal 5 gram panchayaths and each of the gram panchayath 6 MGNREGS workers which becomes 30 MGNREGS workers were selected from each mandal, which makes total 150 workers. From 5 mandals 150 MGNREGS workers have been selected by following stratified random sampling to conduct the present research. To collect the primary data 150 interview schedules were duly administered.

SECONDARY DATA:

To conduct the present research secondary data also used to review the MGNREGS Act, different articles and research papers published on related research also used to get best result.

TOOLS of ANALYSIS:

Simple, general averages and percentages have been used to analyze and interpret the primary data.

Table.1

Distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their age groups in select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh

Name of the Mandal	Age Groups in years					Total
	18 – 28	28 – 38	38 – 48	48 – 58	58 and above	
J.PANGULURU	3 (10)	12 (40)	7 (23)	5 (17)	3 (10)	30 (100)
MARTUR	0	12 (40)	12 (40)	2 (7)	4 (13)	30 (100)
YADDANAPUDI	7 (23)	7 (23)	5 (17)	6 (20)	5 (17)	30 (100)
SANTHAMAGULUR	1 (3)	9 (30)	8 (27)	10 (33)	2 (7)	30 (100)
NAGULAPPALAPADU	1 (3)	15 (50)	10 (33)	3 (10)	1 (3)	30 (100)
Total	12 (8)	55 (37)	42 (28)	26 (17)	15 (10)	150 (100)

Source: Field Survey

Table 1 describes the distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their age groups in select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh. It is understood from the table above that, majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers (55 out of 150) in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh are under the age group of 28 – 38 years, followed by 42 respondent workers are under the age group of 38 – 48, 26 respondent workers are under the age group of 48 – 58, 15 respondent workers above the age of 58 years and 12 respondent workers are under the age group of 18 – 28 years.

From the foregoing analysis one can infer that majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who have responded that they are under the age group of 28 – 38 years found in Nagulappalapadu mandal and the least number of respondent workers are found in Yaddanapudi mandal. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers those who have responded that they are under the age group of 18 – 28 years are found in Yaddanapudi mandal and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in Martur mandal.

Table.2

Distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their Gender details in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh

Name of the Mandal	Gender details		Total
	Male	Female	
J.PANGULURU	21 (70)	9 (30)	30 (100)
MARTUR	17 (57)	13 (43)	30 (100)
YADDANAPUDI	20 (67)	10 (30)	30 (100)
SANTHAMAGULUR	22 (73)	8 (27)	30 (100)
NAGULAPPALAPADU	14 (47)	16 (53)	30 (100)
Total	94 (63)	56 (37)	150 (100)

Source: Field Survey

Table 2 shows the distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their Gender details in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh. It is understood from the table above that, majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers (96 out of 150) in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh have responded that they relate to male gender and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers have responded that they relate to female gender.

From the foregoing analysis one can infer that majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who have responded that they relate to male gender are found in Santhamagulur mandal and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in Nagulappalapadu mandal. Majority of the respondent workers of those who have responded that they relate to female gender are found in Nagulappalapadu and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in Santhamagulur.

Table.3

Distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their marital status in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh

Name of the Mandal	Marital Status				Total
	Single	Married	Widow	Divorcee	
J.PANGULURU	0	29 (97)	1 (3)	0	30 (100)
MARTUR	0	25 (83)	5 (17)	0	30 (100)
YADDANAPUDI	0	28 (93)	2 (7)	0	30 (100)
SANTHAMAGULUR	0	29 (97)	1 (3)	0	30 (100)
NAGULAPPALAPADU	0	27 (90)	3 (10)	0	30 (100)
Total	0	138 (92)	12 (8)	0	150 (100)

Source: Field Survey

Table 3 depicts the distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their marital status in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh. It is understood from the table above that majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers (138 out of 150) in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh have responded that they are

married, followed by least number of respondent MGNREGS workers have responded that they are widowed and none of the respondent MGNREGS workers are single as well as divorcee.

From the foregoing analysis one can infer that majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who have responded that they are married are found in J.Panguluru and Santhamagalur mandals together and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in Martur mandal. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who have responded that they are widowed are found in Martur mandal and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in J.Panguluru and Santhamagalur mandals together.

Table.4

Distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their Literacy and Educational Qualification details in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh

Name of the Mandal	Literacy and Educational Qualification details						Total
	Illiterate	Elementary	High School	Inter	Graduate	Post Graduate	
J.PANGULURU	7 (23.33)	16 (53.33)	7 (23.33)	0	0	0	30 (100)
MARTUR	14 (46.67)	12 (40)	4 (13.33)	0	0	0	30 (100)
YADDANAPUDI	10 (33.33)	13 (43.33)	5 (16.67)	2 (6.67)	0	0	30 (100)
SANTHAMAGULUR	10 (33.33)	12 (40)	8 (26.67)	0	0	0	30 (100)
NAGULAPPALAPADU	3 (10)	13 (43.33)	11 (36.67)	3 (10)	0	0	30 (100)
Total	44 (29.33)	66 (44)	35 (23.33)	5 (3.33)	0	0	150 (100)

Source: Field Survey

Table 4 shows the distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their Literacy and Educational Qualification details in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh. It is understood from the table above that majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers (66 out of 150) in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh have responded that they had elementary level education and followed by 44 respondent MGNREGS workers are illiterates, 35 respondent MGNREGS workers have responded that they had high school level education, only five respondent MGNREGS workers have responded that they had intermediate level education and none of the respondent MGNREGS workers have responded that they had graduate or post graduate level education.

From the foregoing analysis one can infer that majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who have responded that they had elementary level education are found in J.Panguluru mandal and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in Martur and Santhamagalur mandals together. Majority of the respondent workers of those who said that they had intermediate level education are found in Nagulappalapadu mandal.

Table.5

Distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their community to which they belong to in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh

Name of the Mandal	Various Communities					Total
	OC	OBC	SC	ST	MINORITIES	
J.PANGULURU	8 (26.67)	10 (33.33)	8 (26.67)	2 (6.67)	2 (6.67)	30 (100)
MARTUR	5 (16.67)	7 (23.33)	10 (33.33)	6 (20)	2 (6.67)	30 (100)
YADDANAPUDI	7 (23.33)	10 (33.33)	6 (20)	6 (20)	1 (3.33)	30 (100)
SANTHAMAGULUR	5 (16.67)	8 (26.67)	8 (26.67)	5 (16.67)	4 (13.33)	30 (100)
NAGULAPPALAPADU	5 (16.67)	11 (36.67)	12 (40)	2 (6.67)	0	30 (100)
Total	30 (20)	46 (30.67)	44 (29.33)	21 (14)	9 (6)	150(100)

Source: Field Survey

Table 5 describes the distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their community to which they belong to in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh. It is understood from the table above that, majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers (46 out of 150) in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh have responded that they relate to OBC community, followed by 44 respondent MGNREGS workers have responded that they relate to SC community, 30 respondent MGNREGS workers have responded that they relate to OC community, 21 respondent MGNREGS workers have responded that they relate to ST community and nine respondent MGNREGS workers have responded that they relate to minorities community.

From the foregoing analysis one can infer that majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who have responded that they relate to OBC community are found in Nagulappalapadu mandal and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in Martur mandal. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who have responded that they relate to minorities community are found in Santhamagalur mandal and none of the respondent MGNREGS workers are found in Nagulappalapadu mandal.

Table.6

Distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their type of family details in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh

Name of the Mandal	Type of Family		Total
	Nuclear	Joint	
J.PANGULURU	30 (100)	0	30 (100)
MARTUR	30 (100)	0	30 (100)
YADDANAPUDI	30 (100)	0	30 (100)
SANTHAMAGULUR	30 (100)	0	30 (100)
NAGULAPPALAPADU	30 (100)	0	30 (100)
Total	150 (100)	0	150 (100)

Source: Field Survey

Table 6 reveals the distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their type of family details in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh. It is understood from the table above that all the respondent MGNREGS workers together in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam districts in Andhra Pradesh are living with nuclear families only, none of the select sample respondents are living with joint families.

From the foregoing analysis one can infer that all the respondent MGNREGS in select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh are living with nuclear families.

Table.7

Distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and the number of family members details in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh

Name of the Mandal	Number of Family members						Total
	1	2	3	4	5	More than 5	
J.PANGULURU	1 (3.33)	4 (13.33)	10 (33.34)	14 (46.67)	1 (3.33)	0	30 (100)
MARTUR	3 (10)	8 (27)	5 (17)	13 (43)	1 (3)	0	30 (100)
YADDANAPUDI	3 (10)	8 (27)	3 (10)	15 (50)	1 (3)	0	30 (100)
SANTHAMAGULUR	1 (3)	10 (33)	7 (23)	10 (33)	2 (7)	0	30 (100)
NAGULAPPALAPADU	3 (10)	3 (10)	5 (17)	18 (60)	1 (3)	0	30 (100)
Total	11 (7)	33 (22)	30 (20)	70 (47)	6 (4)	0	150 (100)

Source: Field Survey

Table 7 depicts the distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and the number of family members details in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh. It is understood from the table above that majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers (70 out of 150) in select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh have responded that they have four members in their family, followed by 33 respondent MGNREGS workers are responded that have two members in their family, 30 respondent MGNREGS workers are responded that they three members in their family, 11 respondent MGNREGS workers are responded that they have only one family member, six respondent MGNREGS workers are responded that they have five members in their family and none of the respondent MGNREGS workers are responded that they have more than five members in their family.

From the foregoing analysis one can infer that majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who said that they have four members in their family are found in Nagulappalapadu mandal and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in Santhamagulur mandal.

Table.8

Distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their regular occupation details in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh

Name of the Mandal	Regular occupation other than MGNREGS				Total
	Business	Agriculture	Daily Wage Worker	Handy Craft	
J.PANGULURU	0	0	30 (100)	0	30 (100)
MARTUR	0	0	30 (100)	0	30 (100)
YADDANAPUDI	0	0	30 (100)	0	30 (100)
SANTHAMAGULUR	0	0	30 (100)	0	30 (100)
NAGULAPPALAPADU	0	0	30 (100)	0	30 (100)
Total	0	0	150 (100)	0	150 (100)

Source: Field Survey

Table 8 depicts the distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their regular occupation details in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh. It is understood from the table above that all the MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh have unanimously responded that their regular occupation other than MGNREGS is daily wage work.

From the foregoing analysis one can infer that all the MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample districts of Prakasam districts in Andhra Pradesh are involving as the daily wage workers other than MGNREGS work.

Table.9

Distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their income from regular occupation details in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh

Name of the Mandal	Monthly income with regular occupation (amount in Rupees)				Total
	Below 2500	2500 – 5000	5000 – 7500	More than 7500	
J.PANGULURU	7 (23)	23 (77)	0	0	30 (100)
MARTUR	9 (30)	21 (70)	0	0	30 (100)
YADDANAPUDI	15 (50)	15 (50)	0	0	30 (100)
SANTHAMAGULUR	14 (47)	16 (53)	0	0	30 (100)
NAGULAPPALAPADU	7 (23)	23 (77)	0	0	30 (100)
Total	52 (35)	98 (65)	0	0	150 (100)

Source: Field Survey

Table 9 describes the distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their income from regular occupation details in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh. It is understood from the table above that majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers (98 out of 150) in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh have responded that their income from regular occupation other than MGNREGS work is ranging from Rs. 2500 – Rs. 5000, followed by 52 respondent MGNREGS workers have responded that their monthly income with regular occupation other than MGNREGS is below Rs. 2500 and none of the respondent MGNREGS workers have responded that their monthly income with regular occupation other than MGNREGS work nor ranging from Rs. 5000 – Rs. 7500 and neither more than Rs. 7500.

From the foregoing analysis one can infer that majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who said that their monthly income with regular occupation other than MGNREGS work is ranging from Rs. 2500 – Rs. 5000 are found in Nagulappalapadu and J.Panguluru mandals and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in Yaddanapudi mandal. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers who said that their monthly income with regular occupation other than MGNREGS work is below Rs. 2500 are found in Yaddanapudi mandal and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in J.Panguluru and Nagulappalapadu mandals.

Table.10

Distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their duration/longevity details in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh

Name of the Mandal	Duration/longevity as a worker of MGNREGS					Total
	Recently Joined	6 months	1 year	2 years	More than 2 years	
J.PANGULURU	0	0	0	3 (10)	27 (90)	30 (100)
MARTUR	0	0	0	7 (23)	23 (77)	30 (100)
YADDANAPUDI	0	0	0	5 (17)	25 (83)	30 (100)
SANTHAMAGULUR	0	0	0	0	30 (100)	30 (100)
NAGULAPPALAPADU	0	0	0	2 (1)	28 (99)	30 (100)
Total	0	0	0	17 (11)	133 (89)	150(100)

Source: Field Survey

Table 10 shows the distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their duration/longevity details in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh. It is understood from the table above that majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers (133 out of 150) in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh have responded that their duration/longevity as worker of MGNREGS is more than 2 years, followed by 17 respondent workers have responded that their duration/longevity as a worker of MGNREGS is since 2 years and none of the respondent MGNREGS workers have responded that their duration/longevity as a worker of MGNREGS is since 1 year, since 6 months and as recently joined.

From the foregoing analysis one can infer that majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who said that their duration/longevity as a worker of MGNREGS is more than 2 years are found in Santhamagalur mandal and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in Martur mandal. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers of those who said that their duration/longevity as a worker of MGNREGS is since 2 years are found in Martur mandal and least number of respondent workers of MGNREGS is found in Nagulappalapadu mandal.

Table.11

Distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their opinion to get a Job Card in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh

Name of the Mandal	Time taken to get a Job Card					Total
	Less than 15 days	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	
J.PANGULURU	30 (100)	0	0	0	0	30 (100)
MARTUR	30 (100)	0	0	0	0	30 (100)
YADDANAPUDI	30 (100)	0	0	0	0	30 (100)
SANTHAMAGULUR	30 (100)	0	0	0	0	30 (100)
NAGULAPPALAPADU	30 (100)	0	0	0	0	30 (100)
Total	150 (100)	0	0	0	0	150 (100)

Source: Field Survey

Table 11 reveals the distribution of respondent MGRNEGS workers and their opinion to get a Job Card in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh. It is understood from the table above that all the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh together have responded that the time taken to get a Job Card for them is less than 15 days and none of the respondent MGNREGS workers have responded that the time taken to get a Job Card for them is 1 month, 3 months, 6 months and 1 year.

From the foregoing analysis one can infer that all the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh have responded that the time taken to get a Job Card for them is less than 15 days.

Table.12

Distribution of respondent MGRNEGS workers and their opinion on getting payments regular/on time in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh

Name of the Mandal	Opinion on getting payments regular/on time		Total
	Yes	No	
J.PANGULURU	30 (100)	0	30 (100)
MARTUR	30 (100)	0	30 (100)
YADDANAPUDI	30 (100)	0	30 (100)
SANTHAMAGULUR	30 (100)	0	30 (100)
NAGULAPPALAPADU	30 (100)	0	30 (100)
Total	150 (100)	0	150 (100)

Source: Field Survey

Table 12 depicts the distribution of respondent MGRNEGS workers and their opinion on getting payments regular/on time in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh. It is understood from the table above that all the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh have responded that they are getting payments regular/on time.

From the foregoing analysis one can infer that all the MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh have responded that they got payment regular/on time.

Table.13

Distribution of respondent MGRNEGS workers and their opinion on whether the responsible official demanded amount to sanction the work/bills in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh

Name of the Mandal	Opinion on whether the responsible official demand amount to sanction the work/bills		Total
	Yes	No	
J.PANGULURU	0	30 (100)	30 (100)
MARTUR	0	30 (100)	30 (100)
YADDANAPUDI	0	30 (100)	30 (100)
SANTHAMAGULUR	0	30 (100)	30 (100)
NAGULAPPALAPADU	0	30 (100)	30 (100)
Total	0	150 (100)	150 (100)

Source: Field Survey

Table 13 describes the distribution of respondent MGRNEGS workers and their opinion on whether the responsible official demanded amount to sanction the work/bills in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh. It is understood from the table above that all the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals in Andhra Pradesh together have responded that their responsible official haven't demand any amount to sanction the work/bills.

From the foregoing analysis one can infer that all the respondent MGNREGS workers in select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh together have responded that their responsible official haven't demand any amount to sanction the work/bills.

Table.14

Distribution of respondent MGRNEGS workers and their opinion on whether the official provided amenities and/or first aid kit in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh

Name of the Mandal	Opinion on whether the official provided amenities and/or first aid kit		Total
	Yes	No	
J.PANGULURU	18 (60)	12 (40)	30 (100)
MARTUR	0	30 (100)	30 (100)
YADDANAPUDI	0	30 (100)	30 (100)
SANTHAMAGULUR	6 (20)	24 (80)	30 (100)
NAGULAPPALAPADU	6 (20)	24 (80)	30 (100)
Total	30 (20)	120 (80)	150 (100)

Source: Field Survey

Table 14 reveals the distribution of respondent MGRNEGS workers and their opinion on whether the official provided amenities and/or first aid kit in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh. It is understood from the table

above that majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers (120 out of 150) in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh have responded that their responsible official haven't provided the amenities and/or first aid kit and least number of responded MGNREGS workers have responded that their responsible official have provided the amenities and/or first aid kit.

From the forgoing analysis one can infer that majority of the respondent workers in all five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who responded that their responsible official haven't provided the amenities and/or first aid kit are found in Martur and Yaddanapudi mandals together and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers found in J.Panguluru mandal. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers of those who said that their responsible officials have provided the amenities and/or first aid kit are found in J.Panguluru mandal.

Table.15

Distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their opinion on whether they satisfied with the MGNREGS Act in terms of and/or wage, facilities, work environment, protection in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh

Name of the Mandal	Opinion on whether they satisfied with the MGNREGS Act in terms of and/or wage, facilities, work environment, protection		Total
	Yes	No	
J.PANGULURU	27 (90)	3 (10)	30 (100)
MARTUR	29 (97)	1 (3)	30 (100)
YADDANAPUDI	30 (100)	0	30 (100)
SANTHAMAGULUR	30 (100)	0	30 (100)
NAGULAPPALAPADU	30 (100)	0	30 (100)
Total	146 (97)	4 (3)	150 (100)

Source: Field Survey

Table 15 depicts the distribution of respondent MGNREGS workers and their opinion on whether they satisfied with the MGNREGS Act in terms of and/or wage, facilities, work environment, protection in select sample mandals in Prakasam district of Andhra Pradesh. It is understood from the table above that majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers (146 out of 150) in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam in Andhra Pradesh have responded that they are satisfied with the MGNREGS Act in terms of and/or wage, facilities, work environment, protection and least respondent MGNREGS workers have responded that they haven't satisfied with the MGNREGS Act in terms of and/or wage, facilities, work environment, protection.

From the foregoing analysis one can infer that majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who responded that they have satisfied with the MGNREGS Act in terms of and/or wage, facilities, work environment, protection are found in almost all the mandals equally with very less deviation and majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers of those who have responded that they haven't satisfied with the MGNREGS Act in terms of and/or wage, facilities, work environment, protection are found in J.Panguluru mandal.

SUMMARY of FINDINGS:

1. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who have responded that they are under the age group of 28 – 38 years found in Nagulappalapadu mandal and the least number of respondent workers are found in Yaddanapudi mandal. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers those who have responded that they are under the age group of 18 – 28 years are found in Yaddanapudi mandal and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in Martur mandal.
2. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who have responded that they relate to male gender are found in Santhamagulur mandal and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in Nagulappalapadu mandal. Majority of the respondent workers of those who have responded that they relate to female gender are found in Nagulappalapadu and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in Santhamagulur.
3. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who have responded that they are married are found in J.Panguluru and Santhamagulur mandals together and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in Martur mandal. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who have responded that they are widowed are found in Martur mandal and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in J.Panguluru and Santhamagulur mandals together.
4. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who have responded that they had elementary level education are found in J.Panguluru mandal and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in Martur and Santhamagulur mandals together. Majority of the respondent workers of those who said that they had intermediate level education are found in Nagulappalapadu mandal.
5. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who have responded that they relate to OBC community are found in Nagulappalapadu mandal and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in Martur mandal. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who have responded that

they relate to minorities community are found in Santhamagalur mandal and none of the respondent MGNREGS workers are found in Nagulappalapadu mandal.

6. All the respondent MGNREGS in select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh are living with nuclear families.
7. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who said that they have four members in their family are found in Nagulappalapadu mandal and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in Santhamagalur mandal.
8. All the MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh are involving as the daily wage workers other than MGNREGS work.
9. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who said that their monthly income with regular occupation other than MGNREGS work is ranging from Rs. 2500 – Rs. 5000 are found in Nagulappalapadu and J.Panguluru mandals together and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers is found in Yaddanapudi mandal. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers who said that their monthly income with regular occupation other than MGNREGS work is below Rs. 2500 are found in Yaddanapudi mandal and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in J.Panguluru and Nagulappalapadu mandals.
10. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who said that their duration/longevity as a worker of MGNREGS is more than 2 years are found in Santhamagalur mandal and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers are found in Martur mandal. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers of those who said that their duration/longevity as a worker of MGNREGS is since 2 years are found in Martur mandal and least number of respondent workers of MGNREGS is found in Nagulappalapadu mandal.
11. All the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh have responded that the time taken to get a Job Card for them is less than 15 days.
12. All the MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam mandal in Andhra Pradesh have responded that they got payment regular/on time.
13. All the respondent MGNREGS workers in select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh together have responded that their responsible official haven't demand any amount to sanction the work/bills.
14. Majority of the respondent workers in all five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who responded that their responsible official haven't provided the amenities and/or first aid kit are found in Martur and Yaddanapudi mandals together and least number of respondent MGNREGS workers found in J.Panguluru mandal. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers of those who said that their responsible officials have provided the amenities and/or first aid kit are found in J.Panguluru mandal.
15. Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who responded that they have satisfied with the MGNREGS Act in terms of and/or wage, facilities, work environment, protection are found in almost all the mandals equally with very less deviation and majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers of those who have responded that they haven't satisfied with the MGNREGS Act in terms of and/or wage, facilities, work environment, protection are found in J.Panguluru mandal.

CONCLUSION:

Majority of the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh of those who have responded that they are under the age group of 28 – 38 years found in Nagulappalapadu mandal, who have responded that they relate to male gender are found in Santhamagalur mandal, who have responded that they are married are found in J.Panguluru and Santhamagalur mandals together, who have responded that they had elementary level education are found in J.Panguluru mandal, who have responded that they relate to OBC community are found in Nagulappalapadu mandal, All the MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh are involving as the daily wage workers other than MGNREGS work, who said that their monthly income with regular occupation other than MGNREGS work is ranging from Rs. 2500 – Rs. 5000 are found in Nagulappalapadu and J.Panguluru mandals together, who said that their duration/longevity as a worker of MGNREGS is more than 2 years are found in Santhamagalur mandal, All the respondent MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh have responded that the time taken to get a Job Card for them is less than 15 days, All the MGNREGS workers in all the five select sample mandals of Prakasam mandal in Andhra Pradesh have responded that they got payment regular/on time, All the respondent MGNREGS workers in select sample mandals of Prakasam district in Andhra Pradesh together have responded that their responsible official haven't demand any amount to sanction the work/bills, who responded that their responsible official haven't provided the amenities and/or first aid kit are found in Martur and Yaddanapudi mandals together and who responded that they have satisfied with the MGNREGS Act in terms of and/or wage, facilities, work environment, protection are found in almost all the mandals equally with very less deviation.