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Status of Employment Generation under NREGA, I.T.D.A, Paderu

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Introduction

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Employment

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Employment Provided in 2020-21 has seen a significant growth from 77.30 Lakh Persondays in 2019-20 to 96.4 Lakhs of persondays in 2020-21 i.e. a 24% increase. Trend in the employment provided in the last three years can be seen in the figure 1. Similar increase in the employment generated can be seen in all the 11 blocks of ITDA, Paderu.

Employment provided in I.T.D.A, Paderu in the last three years.

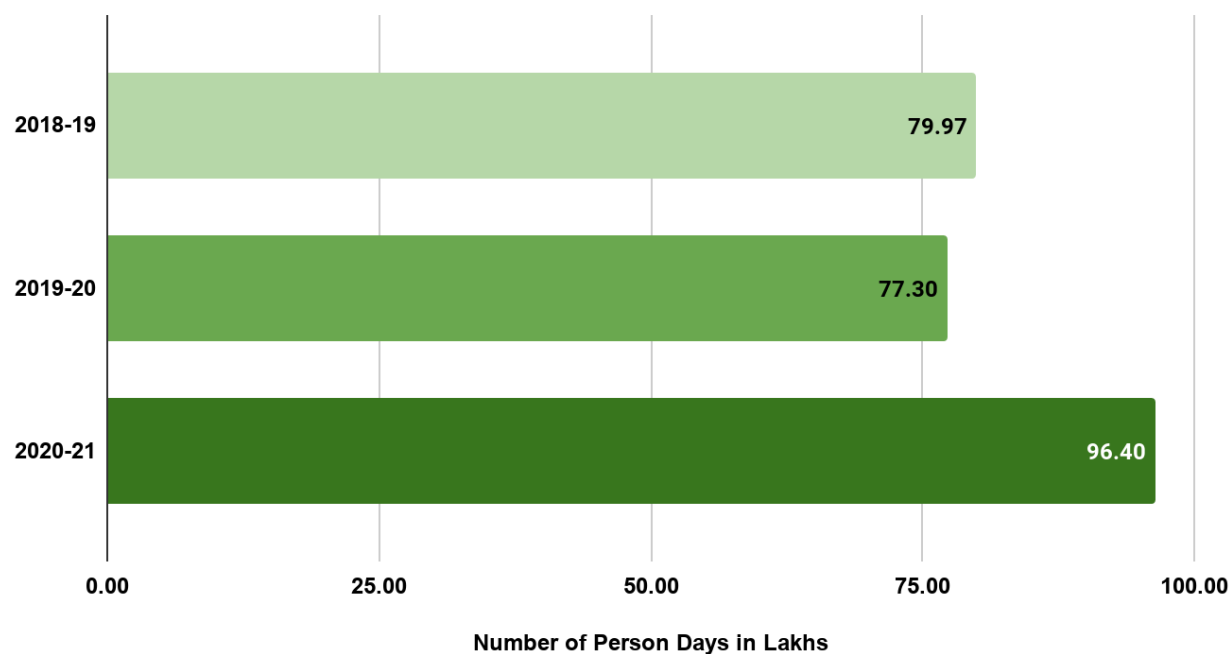


Figure 1: Employment provided in I.T.D.A, Paderu in the last three years

Mandal wise trends in the employment provided can be seen in figure 2. When we look at the Mandal wise trend in the employment provided, the majority of the mandals have shown consistent growth for the last three years. Only Pedabayalu and Paderu mandal have seen a decrease in the employment provided in the year 2020-21 compared to the employment provided in 2018-19.

Highest employment was provided in Dumbriguda mandal for the last three years and the least has always been G.K. Veedhi Mandal. Chintapalle has shown the highest percentage growth among the 11 mandals with a 54% percentage growth, while Koyyuru stood second with a 51% percentage growth. While all the other blocks have a digit percentage growth Pedabayalu has shown only 6% percentage growth compared to last year.



Employment provided over the last three years in different Mandals in I.T.D.A, Paderu

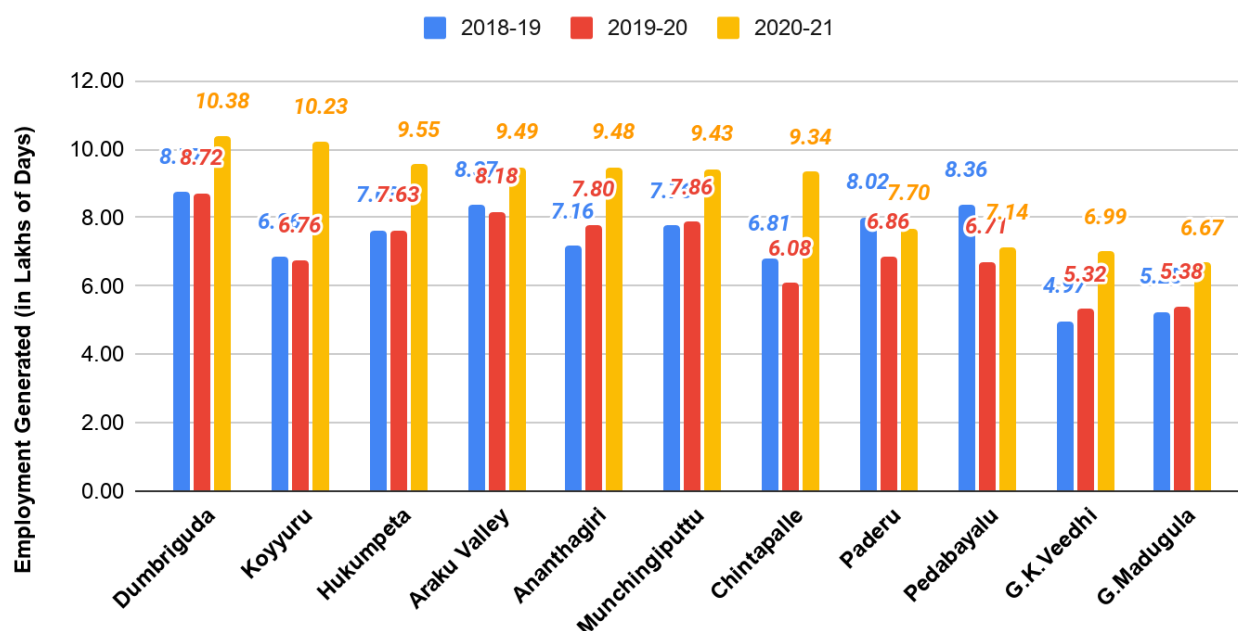


Figure 2: Employment provided over the last three years in different Mandals in I.T.D.A, Paderu

On an average each household was provided with 72 days of work across in I.T.D.A, Paderu in the year 2020-21. In 52 villages, average person days are zero. In other words, job card holders from 52 villages didn't do any work under MGNREGA this year. List of these 52 villages can be accessed at https://tiny.cc/MGNREGA_Zero. Table 1 below shows that there are about 178 villages with the average person days less than 30. Of these 179¹ villages, 89 are from three mandals i.e. G.Madugula (34), Pedabayalu (28) and Koyyuru (27) only.

If we look at the G.P level statistics for the same we notice that all these 179 villages are from 76 of the 244 G.Ps in I.T.D.A, Paderu. Budaralla and U.Cheedipalem Grama Panchayats alone have 21 Villages with less than 30 average person days.

S.No	Mandal	Number of Villages with Average Person Days			
		Less than 30	30-72	72-100	More than 100
1	Ananthagiri	13	70	145	61

¹ If we consider villages with more than 10 working job cards it's 83 villages. Of these, 47 are from three mandals i.e. Pedabayalu (16), Paderu (15) and G.Madugula (16). The full list of villages with the average person days less than 30, can be accessed at http://tiny.cc/MGNREGA_worst

2	Araku Valley	3	58	117	1
3	Chintapalle	16	91	69	3
4	Dumbriguda	0	21	84	13
5	Gangaraju Madugula	38	183	90	17
6	Gudem Kothaveedhi	18	72	63	14
7	Hukumpeta	5	77	96	8
8	Koyyuru	27	65	88	14
9	Munchingiputtu	11	73	187	41
10	Paderu	20	87	80	20
11	Pedabayalu	28	151	95	5
	Grand Total	179	948	1114	197

Table 1: Number of Villages with various Average Persondays across Mandals in I.T.D.A, Paderu

When we consider villages with a minimum 10 active job cards, 170 villages have more than 100 days of employment on an average across I.T.D.A, Paderu. Vantalamamidi from Kunapuram Panchayat of Ananthagiri has the highest average persondays with 148. Ananthagiri mandal alone has 61 villages with more than 100 days of average employment. The full list of villages with more than 100 days of average employment can be accessed at http://tiny.cc/MGNREGA_Best

Labour Budget Persondays Generation

On an average 87.5% of the approved labour budget days were generated across Paderu I.T.D.A in the year 2020-21. While it may look as an achievement to have an 87.5% average across Paderu, I.T.D.A, the remaining 12.5% of the labour budget equals a staggering amount of Rs. 32.77Cr workers from the I.T.D.A area can receive a little more Rs. 32.77 Cr if all the G.P.s meet their labour budget targets.

Mandal wise trends in the approved and actual labour budget days can be seen in table 1. Of the 11 mandals only 5 provided 100% or more persondays as planned in the labour budget. In the remaining 6, Pedabayalu has the least utilisation with 65.7%.

S No	Mandal	Labour Budget Actual days Vs Approved days (per cent)
1	Ananthagiri	95.10%
2	Araku Valley	93.97%
3	Chintapalle	82.99%
4	Dumbriguda	99.13%
5	Gangaraju Madugula	94.16%
6	Gudem Kotha Veedhi	80.06%
7	Hukumpeta	82.90%
8	Koyyuru	95.57%
9	Munchingiputtu	99.30%
10	Paderu	77.30%
11	Pedabayalu	65.73%
	Paderu, I.T.D.A Average	87.55%

Table 2:Proportion of of approved labour budget realised in different Mandals in Paderu ITDA

Recommendations

As Observed in the above sections, while many villages have generated a high number of person days of work, the village wise situation is not uniform. In addition 6 mandals haven't generated enough number of persondays as planned in the labour budget with Pedabayalu being the worst with only 65.7% Approved Vs Actual Labour budget ratio. Of the 244 Grama Panchayats, 161 Grama Panchayats haven't met their approved labour budget targets yet. We still have another month left for this year and this can be used to improve the average persondays and to meet the approved labour budget targets, focusing particularly on villages where low person days were generated.

We recommend the following steps

1. Call for a meeting with the concerned officials to make them aware of the unspent labour budget and encourage them to boost employment in the Panchayats. Please find the list at http://tiny.cc/MGNREGA_Labourbudget

2. Call for a Video Conference with the Field Assistants of the worst performing villages (find the list of villages here https://tiny.cc/MGNREGA_All)
3. Direct to increase the employment provided and monitoring the same for March, 2021.



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