

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PLANNING
RAJYA SABHA
QUESTION NO 19.08.2010
ANSWERED ON
IDENTIFYING URBAN POOR .

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SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether the Planning Commission has set up a committee to work out a methodology for identifying the urban poor for implementation of the Rajiv Awaas Yojana;
- (b) if so, whether the committee has submitted its recommendations to Government;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and whether the poverty estimation methods suggested by the Tendulkar and Saxena Committees would also be considered by the newly set up committee; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS

(SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY)

- (a): The Planning Commission has constituted an Expert Group on 13th May 2010 under the Chairmanship of Prof. S. R. Hashim to recommend a methodology for identification of Below Poverty Line (BPL) households in urban areas for extending benefits to them under various welfare schemes.
- (b) to (d): The Expert Group has not yet submitted its recommendation to the Government. The Expert Group is aware of the Tendulkar Committee report on methodology for estimation of poverty and the Saxena Committee report on the methodology for identification of BPL households in rural areas.