

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS
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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 213
TO BE ANSWERED ON JULY 19, 2018

POPULATION BELOW POVERTY LINE IN URBAN AREAS

No. 213 **SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE**

Will the Minister of Housing & Urban Affairs be pleased to state:-

- (a) the estimated population living below poverty line in urban areas of the country, State-wise including Maharashtra;
- (b) whether any survey has been conducted recently to find out the number of urban poor and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has any proposal to implement fresh schemes for urban alleviation; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE
MINISTRY OF HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS**

(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

(a) & (b) As per Poverty Estimates for 2011-12 released by erstwhile Planning Commission, the percentage of persons below poverty line in 2011-12 has been estimated as 13.7% in urban areas. The details of poverty estimates State/UT-wise, including Maharashtra, is at Annexure. A survey to collect information on various individual parameters and household characteristics called the combined Socio-Economic Caste Census, 2011 was carried out in urban areas by respective State Government/UT Administrations. The survey has not ascertained the number of urban poor.

(c) & (d) No, Sir.

To reduce poverty and vulnerability of urban poor, inter-alia, the “Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana- National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM)” is being administered by Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs in all statutory towns, till 2022.

State wise Number and Percentage of Population Below Poverty Line in India : 2011-12

| States/UTs | Rural | | Urban | | Total | |
|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| | Percentage of Persons | No. of Persons (lakhs) | Percentage of Persons | No. of Persons (lakhs) | Percentage of Persons | No. of Persons (lakhs) |
| Andhra Pradesh | 11.0 | 61.8 | 5.8 | 17.0 | 9.2 | 78.8 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 38.9 | 4.2 | 20.3 | 0.7 | 34.7 | 4.9 |
| Assam | 33.9 | 92.1 | 20.5 | 9.2 | 32.0 | 101.3 |
| Bihar | 34.1 | 320.4 | 31.2 | 37.8 | 33.7 | 358.2 |
| Chhattisgarh | 44.6 | 88.9 | 24.8 | 15.2 | 39.9 | 104.1 |
| Goa | 6.8 | 0.4 | 4.1 | 0.4 | 5.1 | 0.8 |
| Gujarat | 21.5 | 75.4 | 10.1 | 26.9 | 16.6 | 102.2 |
| Haryana | 11.6 | 19.4 | 10.3 | 9.4 | 11.2 | 28.8 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 8.5 | 5.3 | 4.3 | 0.3 | 8.1 | 5.6 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 11.5 | 10.7 | 7.2 | 2.5 | 10.3 | 13.3 |
| Jharkhand | 40.8 | 104.1 | 24.8 | 20.2 | 37.0 | 124.3 |
| Karnataka | 24.5 | 92.8 | 15.3 | 37.0 | 20.9 | 129.8 |
| Kerala | 9.1 | 15.5 | 5.0 | 8.5 | 7.1 | 23.9 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 35.7 | 191.0 | 21.0 | 43.1 | 31.6 | 234.1 |
| Maharashtra | 24.2 | 150.6 | 9.1 | 47.4 | 17.4 | 197.9 |
| Manipur | 38.8 | 7.4 | 32.6 | 2.8 | 36.9 | 10.2 |
| Meghalaya | 12.5 | 3.0 | 9.3 | 0.6 | 11.9 | 3.6 |
| Mizoram | 35.4 | 1.9 | 6.4 | 0.4 | 20.4 | 2.3 |
| Nagaland | 19.9 | 2.8 | 16.5 | 1.0 | 18.9 | 3.8 |
| Odisha | 35.7 | 126.1 | 17.3 | 12.4 | 32.6 | 138.5 |
| Punjab | 7.7 | 13.4 | 9.2 | 9.8 | 8.3 | 23.2 |
| Rajasthan | 16.1 | 84.2 | 10.7 | 18.7 | 14.7 | 102.9 |
| Sikkim | 9.9 | 0.4 | 3.7 | 0.1 | 8.2 | 0.5 |
| Tamil Nadu | 15.8 | 59.2 | 6.5 | 23.4 | 11.3 | 82.6 |
| Tripura | 16.5 | 4.5 | 7.4 | 0.8 | 14.0 | 5.2 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 30.4 | 479.4 | 26.1 | 118.8 | 29.4 | 598.2 |
| Uttarakhand | 11.6 | 8.2 | 10.5 | 3.4 | 11.3 | 11.6 |
| West Bengal | 22.5 | 141.1 | 14.7 | 43.8 | 20.0 | 185.0 |
| A & N Islands | 1.6 | 0.04 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.04 |
| Chandigarh | 1.6 | 0.004 | 22.3 | 2.3 | 21.8 | 2.3 |
| D & N Haveli | 62.6 | 1.2 | 15.4 | 0.3 | 39.3 | 1.4 |
| Daman & Diu | 0.0 | 0.0 | 12.6 | 0.3 | 9.9 | 0.3 |
| Delhi | 12.9 | 0.5 | 9.8 | 16.5 | 9.9 | 17.0 |
| Lakshadweep | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.4 | 0.02 | 2.8 | 0.02 |
| INDIA | 25.7 | 2166.6 | 13.7 | 531.2 | 21.9 | 2697.8 |

Source: Report of the Expert Group to review the Methodology for measurement of Poverty, Government of India, Planning Commission-June, 2014

Notes: 1. Population as on 1st march 2012 has been used for estimation number of persons below poverty line. (2011 Census population extrapolated) 2. Poverty line of Tamil Nadu is used for Andaman and Nicobar Islands. 3. Urban Poverty Line of Punjab is used for both rural and urban areas of Chandigarh. 4. Poverty Line of Maharashtra is used for Dadra & Nagar Haveli. 5. Poverty Line of Goa is used for Daman & Diu and 6. Poverty Line of Kerala is used for Lakshadweep.
