GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PLANNING

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2677
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.03.2021

DATA ON WEALTH INEQUALITY

2677. Shri Mallikarjun Kharge:

Will the Minister of ***Planning*** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any data on the wealth inequality across the various income groups in the country;

(b) whether the wealth inequality in the country has further worsened due to the COVID-19 induced lockdown and economic collapse;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps being planned by Government to lower this income inequality vis-à-vis increased taxation?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a) & (b): NITI Aayog has not undertaken any study on the wealth inequality across various groups in the country.

(c) & (d): Does Not Arise.

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