GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2870
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.03.2022

WEALTH AND INCOME INEQUALITY IN INDIA

2870. SMT. PHULO DEVI NETAM:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of wealth and income inequality in the country; State-wise; and

(b) whether Government plans to regularly compile evidence on wealth and income inequality in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION; MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFARIS [RAO INDERJIT SINGH]

(a) & (b): Data relating to wealth and income inequality is not compiled centrally. However, Household Consumer Expenditure data collected by Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) could be used as a proxy to capture the income inequality in terms of consumption expenditure. Further, the MoSPI annually publishes "National Accounts Statistics" which inter-alia includes the estimates of Gross Domestic Product (GDP), National Income, etc.

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