

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PLANNING

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1920**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.03.2025

**SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL**

1920 SHRI VAIKO:

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is wide variation in Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 10 that calls for progressively reducing not only income inequalities but also inequalities of outcome by ensuring access to equal opportunities and promoting social, economic and political inclusion of all;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the corrective measures proposed to be taken by Government, keeping in view the fact that as per the SDG India Index, it is at far below the average?

**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 CULTURE

(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

- (a) & (b) According to the SDG India Index Report, 2023-24 released by NITI Aayog, SDG Index score for Goal 10 is estimated at 65 which is in the 'Front Runner' category (a score between 65–99). However, there is variation in scores across States and UTs, ranging from 43 to 87. The details in respect of Goal 10, are in public domain and can be accessed at [https://www.niti.gov.in/sites/default/files/2024-07/SDG\\_India\\_Index\\_2023-24.pdf](https://www.niti.gov.in/sites/default/files/2024-07/SDG_India_Index_2023-24.pdf)
- (c) Government of India has taken various initiatives to reduce inequalities in the country which, inter alia, include Aspirational Districts & Blocks Programme, Vibrant Village Programme, Pradhan Mantri Vishwakarma Scheme, Pradhan Mantri Janjati Adivasi Nyaya Maha Abhiyan (PM JANMAN), Scheme for Economic Empowerment of DNTs (SEED), PM Development Initiative for North East Region (PM-DeVINE), Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK).

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