## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2962 ANSWERED ON 19/08/2025

### GST Contributions from the rich and the poor

#2962 Shri Ramji Lal Suman:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the GST percentage collected from the bottom 50 per cent of the population at present;
- (b) the amount of GST currently being collected from the top 10 per cent of income earners; and
- (c) the details thereof for the last three years?

#### **ANSWER**

# THE MINISTER OF STATE IN MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY)

(a), (b) & (c): Income group wise GST collection data is not maintained. However, Goods and Services Tax (GST) is a consumption tax that consolidates various indirect taxes into a single tax structure, streamlining the taxation process. Being an indirect tax, GST is collected by the Government from suppliers of goods and services who, in turn collect taxes from the consumers of goods and services. To keep the incidence of taxation low on items of mass consumption, goods like unpackaged food grains, fruits and vegetables and services like education and health are exempt. In addition, items like edible oil, lifesaving medicines, and fertilizers are in 5% slab.

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