

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1423  
TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, THE 27<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, 2017**

**IMF REPORT**

**1423. SHRI RAJENDRA AGRAWAL:**

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

- (a) whether the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in its report IMF Fiscal Monitor Tackling Inequality, October 2017 has stated that India has seen an upward trend in the level of inequality;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the the reaction of the Government thereto;**
- (c) whether the Government evaluates the different levels of inequality in the country; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the income inequality reported during each of the last three years, State/UT-wise?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS [SHRI VIJAY GOEL]**

- (a) : No, Madam.**
- (b) : Does not arise, in view of (a) above.**
- (c) : Yes, Madam.**
- (d) : The level of inequality is assessed in terms of Lorenz ratios of monthly per capita expenditure distribution using consumer expenditure data of the National Sample Survey Office (NSSO). Since the latest available report of the NSSO on consumer expenditure is in respect of its 68<sup>th</sup> round for the year 2011-12, inequality was not assessed for the last three years.**

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