

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2411
TO BE ANSWERED ON JANUARY 02, 2018
BPL POPULATION IN URBAN AREAS

NO. 2411 SHRI RAJESH PANDEY:

WILL THE MINISTER OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the estimated population living below poverty line in urban areas of the country, State-Wise including Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) whether any survey has been conducted recently to find out the number of urban poor and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to implement fresh schemes for urban poverty alleviation; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY
OF HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS

(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

- (a) As per the Poverty Estimates 2011-12 released by the erstwhile Planning Commission, the number of persons living below poverty line in urban areas in 2011-12 was 531.25 lakhs. A statement showing the State-wise estimated population living below poverty line in urban areas, including Uttar Pradesh, is attached at Annexure.

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(b) A survey, to collect data regarding individual and household particulars in urban areas, was conducted along with caste enumeration and rural BPL survey by respective State Governments/UT Administrations as combined Socio-Economic Caste Census (SECC)-2011. In the process, information regarding various individual particulars and household characteristics, viz., main source of income/earnings, housing/dwelling, amenities, assets etc., has been collected as per 'respondent based' questionnaire method, with Statutory towns being considered urban and Census towns being considered rural. Accordingly, in urban areas, data has been returned in respect of 299.99 million population (65.13 million household). Relevant SECC data corresponding to the questionnaire canvassed in urban areas is in public domain at <http://secc.gov.in>.

(c) to (d) No Madam. This Ministry has already been implementing the "Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM)" to reduce poverty and vulnerability of urban poor households. The Mission provides skill training and placement in wage as well as self-employment. It also provides for interest subvention on bank loans for self-employment ventures. Building strong grassroot level institutions of the urban poor is another focus area for the Mission. Further, the Mission aims at providing permanent shelters equipped with essential services to the urban homeless and also addressing livelihood concerns of the urban street vendors.

Annexure

Statement showing details of State-wise estimated population living below poverty line in urban areas in the country including Uttar Pradesh, referred to in part (a) of Answer to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2411 for reply on 02.1.2018 regarding BPL Population in Urban Areas.

States/UTs	No. of Persons (lakhs)
Andhra Pradesh	17.0
Arunachal Pradesh	0.7
Assam	9.2
Bihar	37.8
Chhattisgarh	15.2
Goa	0.4
Gujarat	26.9
Haryana	9.4
Himachal Pradesh	0.3
Jammu & Kashmir	2.5
Jharkhand	20.2
Karnataka	37.0
Kerala	8.5
Madhya Pradesh	43.1
Maharashtra	47.4
Manipur	2.8
Meghalaya	0.6
Mizoram	0.4
Nagaland	1.0
Odisha	12.4
Punjab	9.8
Rajasthan	18.7
Sikkim	0.1
Tamil Nadu	23.4
Tripura	0.8
Uttar Pradesh	118.8
Uttarakhand	3.4
West Bengal	43.8
A & N Islands	0.0
Chandigarh	2.3
D & N Haveli	0.3
Daman & Diu	0.3
Delhi	16.5
Lakshadweep	0.02
INDIA	531.2