

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1728
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.07.2019

CENSUS OF BPL FAMILIES

1728. SHRI B.B. PATIL:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the date on which the last census of people living Below Poverty Line (BPL) was conducted at National and State levels especially in Telangana;
- (b) the outcome of the said census conducted at National and State levels;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to conduct census of such people again;
- (d) if so, the time by which it is likely to be done; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a): The Government of India conducted a combined Census (Rural BPL Census, Urban BPL & Religion & Caste Census) known as "Socio-Economic and Caste Census (SECC), 2011" for collecting socio-economic and caste data of households of all States/UTs including the State of Telangana in both rural and urban areas. The census process began on June 2011 and completed by 31st March 2016 when census data was published on the website www.secc.gov.in.

(b): The SECC data has paved the way for better targeting of the poor and targeted intervention for ameliorating conditions of the poor households. Increased granularity of SECC data has helped in tackling multidimensional poverty more efficiently than before. SECC data so far has been successfully used for selection of beneficiary under various programmes/schemes like Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana-Gramin (PMAY-G) of Ministry of Rural Development, Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana of Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana-Saubhagya of Ministry of Power etc.

(c) to (e): No such proposal is before the Government. Socio-Economic and Caste Census (SECC)-2011 was concluded on 31.03.2016.
