

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PLANNING

**LOK SABHA**

**STARRED QUESTION No. 85**

TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.02.2023

**PEOPLE LIVING BELOW POVERTY LINE**

†\*85. **SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH ALLIAS PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:**

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) the State/UT-wise details of people living below poverty line in the country including Maharashtra;
- (b) the details of population living below poverty line during the last ten years and the criteria fixed to assess it;
- (c) the date on which the latest official estimate of the population below the poverty line has been made;
- (d) whether the population below poverty line is increasing in the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the data to supplement it;
- (e) the steps taken by the Government for eradication of poverty and upliftment of poor people in the country; and
- (f) whether consumer expenditure survey to be conducted in the year 2022-23 is likely to be started and if so, the details thereof?

**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 CORPORATE AFFAIRS

**(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)**

(a). to (f): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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(a) to (d) : The erstwhile Planning Commission estimated poverty line and poverty ratio on the basis of Large Sample Surveys on Household Consumer Expenditure carried out by the National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) of the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation. The last data of Large Sample Survey on Household Consumer Expenditure published by NSSO was for the 68<sup>th</sup> round conducted in 2011-12. Based on this data, the erstwhile Planning Commission estimated poverty lines and poverty ratio in 2011-12 following the extant Tendulkar Committee methodology and released through a Press Note issued on 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2013. The poverty line has been defined on the basis of Monthly Per Capita Consumption Expenditure (MPCE) as the criterion. For the year 2011-12, the poverty line at all India level has been estimated as Monthly Per-capita Consumption Expenditure of Rs. 816 for rural areas and Rs. 1000 for urban areas. According to the Press Note, the number of persons living below poverty line in India has been estimated as 27 crore in 2011-12. The State/UT-wise details of population living below poverty line in 2011-12 including the state of Maharashtra are given at **Annexure-I** and state-wise poverty line is given at **Annexure-II**.

(e) Government of India is implementing several schemes, both Central sector and Centrally Sponsored Schemes, for reducing the poverty in the country. Some of the schemes aim to directly benefit the citizens through Direct Benefit transfer of resources/ money while others intend to create enabling infrastructural provisions. These include Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (Mahatma Gandhi NREGS), Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana – Gramin (PMAY-G), Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM), Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana– National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM), Deen Dayal Upadhyay – Gramin Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY), Rural Self Employment Training Institutes (RSETIs), National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP), Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojna (PMGKAY), Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY), Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY), etc.

(f) Yes Sir, the process to conduct the latest Household Consumption Expenditure Survey (HCES) has been initiated by M/o Statistics and Programme Implementation from August, 2022.

**Annexure-1**

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**Number and Percentage of Population below poverty line by states - 2011-12  
(Tendulkar Methodology)**

| S.No | States                    | Rural           |                        | Urban           |                        | Total           |                        |
|------|---------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
|      |                           | %age of Persons | No. of Persons (lakhs) | %age of Persons | No. of Persons (lakhs) | %age of Persons | No. of Persons (lakhs) |
| 1    | Andhra Pradesh            | 10.96           | 61.80                  | 5.81            | 16.98                  | 9.20            | 78.78                  |
| 2    | Arunachal Pradesh         | 38.93           | 4.25                   | 20.33           | 0.66                   | 34.67           | 4.91                   |
| 3    | Assam                     | 33.89           | 92.06                  | 20.49           | 9.21                   | 31.98           | 101.27                 |
| 4    | Bihar                     | 34.06           | 320.40                 | 31.23           | 37.75                  | 33.74           | 358.15                 |
| 5    | Chhattisgarh              | 44.61           | 88.90                  | 24.75           | 15.22                  | 39.93           | 104.11                 |
| 6    | Delhi                     | 12.92           | 0.50                   | 9.84            | 16.46                  | 9.91            | 16.96                  |
| 7    | Goa                       | 6.81            | 0.37                   | 4.09            | 0.38                   | 5.09            | 0.75                   |
| 8    | Gujarat                   | 21.54           | 75.35                  | 10.14           | 26.88                  | 16.63           | 102.23                 |
| 9    | Haryana                   | 11.64           | 19.42                  | 10.28           | 9.41                   | 11.16           | 28.83                  |
| 10   | Himachal Pradesh          | 8.48            | 5.29                   | 4.33            | 0.30                   | 8.06            | 5.59                   |
| 11   | Jammu & Kashmir           | 11.54           | 10.73                  | 7.20            | 2.53                   | 10.35           | 13.27                  |
| 12   | Jharkhand                 | 40.84           | 104.09                 | 24.83           | 20.24                  | 36.96           | 124.33                 |
| 13   | Karnataka                 | 24.53           | 92.80                  | 15.25           | 36.96                  | 20.91           | 129.76                 |
| 14   | Kerala                    | 9.14            | 15.48                  | 4.97            | 8.46                   | 7.05            | 23.95                  |
| 15   | Madhya Pradesh            | 35.74           | 190.95                 | 21.00           | 43.10                  | 31.65           | 234.06                 |
| 16   | Maharashtra               | 24.22           | 150.56                 | 9.12            | 47.36                  | 17.35           | 197.92                 |
| 17   | Manipur                   | 38.80           | 7.45                   | 32.59           | 2.78                   | 36.89           | 10.22                  |
| 18   | Meghalaya                 | 12.53           | 3.04                   | 9.26            | 0.57                   | 11.87           | 3.61                   |
| 19   | Mizoram                   | 35.43           | 1.91                   | 6.36            | 0.37                   | 20.40           | 2.27                   |
| 20   | Nagaland                  | 19.93           | 2.76                   | 16.48           | 1.00                   | 18.88           | 3.76                   |
| 21   | Odisha                    | 35.69           | 126.14                 | 17.29           | 12.39                  | 32.59           | 138.53                 |
| 22   | Punjab                    | 7.66            | 13.35                  | 9.24            | 9.82                   | 8.26            | 23.18                  |
| 23   | Rajasthan                 | 16.05           | 84.19                  | 10.69           | 18.73                  | 14.71           | 102.92                 |
| 24   | Sikkim                    | 9.85            | 0.45                   | 3.66            | 0.06                   | 8.19            | 0.51                   |
| 25   | Tamil Nadu                | 15.83           | 59.23                  | 6.54            | 23.40                  | 11.28           | 82.63                  |
| 26   | Tripura                   | 16.53           | 4.49                   | 7.42            | 0.75                   | 14.05           | 5.24                   |
| 27   | Uttarakhand               | 11.62           | 8.25                   | 10.48           | 3.35                   | 11.26           | 11.60                  |
| 28   | Uttar Pradesh             | 30.40           | 479.35                 | 26.06           | 118.84                 | 29.43           | 598.19                 |
| 29   | West Bengal               | 22.52           | 141.14                 | 14.66           | 43.83                  | 19.98           | 184.98                 |
| 30   | Puducherry                | 17.06           | 0.69                   | 6.30            | 0.55                   | 9.69            | 1.24                   |
| 31   | Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 1.57            | 0.04                   | 0.00            | 0.00                   | 1.00            | 0.04                   |
| 32   | Chandigarh                | 1.64            | 0.004                  | 22.31           | 2.34                   | 21.81           | 2.35                   |

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|----|----------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|
| 33 | Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 62.59        | 1.15           | 15.38        | 0.28          | 39.31        | 1.43           |
| 34 | Daman & Diu          | 0.00         | 0.00           | 12.62        | 0.26          | 9.86         | 0.26           |
| 35 | Lakshadweep          | 0.00         | 0.00           | 3.44         | 0.02          | 2.77         | 0.02           |
|    | <b>All India</b>     | <b>25.70</b> | <b>2166.58</b> | <b>13.70</b> | <b>531.25</b> | <b>21.92</b> | <b>2697.83</b> |

Notes: 1. Population as on 1st March 2012 has been used for estimating number of persons below poverty line. (2011 Census population extrapolated)

2. Poverty line of Tamil Nadu has been used for Andaman and Nicobar Island.

3. Urban Poverty Line of Punjab has been used for both rural and urban areas of Chandigarh.

4. Poverty Line of Maharashtra has been used for Dadra & Nagar Haveli.

5. Poverty line of Goa has been used for Daman & Diu.

6. Poverty Line of Kerala has been used for Lakshadweep.

**Annexure-II**

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**Poverty line for the period 2011-12 (Tendulkar Methodology)**

| S.No. | State             | Poverty Line (Rs) |             |
|-------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------|
|       |                   | Rural             | Urban       |
| 1     | Andhra Pradesh    | 860               | 1009        |
| 2     | Arunachal Pradesh | 930               | 1060        |
| 3     | Assam             | 828               | 1008        |
| 4     | Bihar             | 778               | 923         |
| 5     | Chhattisgarh      | 738               | 849         |
| 6     | Delhi             | 1145              | 1134        |
| 7     | Goa               | 1090              | 1134        |
| 8     | Gujarat           | 932               | 1152        |
| 9     | Haryana           | 1015              | 1169        |
| 10    | Himachal Pradesh  | 913               | 1064        |
| 11    | Jammu & Kashmir   | 891               | 988         |
| 12    | Jharkhand         | 748               | 974         |
| 13    | Karnataka         | 902               | 1089        |
| 14    | Kerala            | 1018              | 987         |
| 15    | Madhya Pradesh    | 771               | 897         |
| 16    | Maharashtra       | 967               | 1126        |
| 17    | Manipur           | 1118              | 1170        |
| 18    | Meghalaya         | 888               | 1154        |
| 19    | Mizoram           | 1066              | 1155        |
| 20    | Nagaland          | 1270              | 1302        |
| 21    | Odisha            | 695               | 861         |
| 22    | Punjab            | 1054              | 1155        |
| 23    | Rajasthan         | 905               | 1002        |
| 24    | Sikkim            | 930               | 1226        |
| 25    | Tamil Nadu        | 880               | 937         |
| 26    | Tripura           | 798               | 920         |
| 27    | Uttarakhand       | 880               | 1082        |
| 28    | Uttar Pradesh     | 768               | 941         |
| 29    | West Bengal       | 783               | 981         |
| 30    | Puducherry        | 1301              | 1309        |
| 31    | <b>All India</b>  | <b>816</b>        | <b>1000</b> |

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