ERADICATION OF POVERTY

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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government studied the reasons of existing poverty among various sections of the society even after seven decades of independence;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any proposal for a change in the vision of our planning to eradicate the poverty from the country; and

(d) the steps taken to ensure equal distribution of wealth of the country among various sections of the society 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 (d) The Government has initiated several Central sector and Centrally Sponsored schemes covering targeted beneficiaries that aim to improve the quality of life of the people and aimed at reducing population below poverty line in the country. The schemes either directly benefit the citizen through direct benefit transfer of resources/ money or provide facilities by creating enabling infrastructural provisions. These include Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (Mahatma Gandhi NREGS), Pradhan Mantri Awas 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.

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