

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3769
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.03.2020

RURAL HOUSEHOLD

3769. SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:

Will the Minister of **RURAL DEVELOPMENT** be pleased to state:

- (a) the definition of 'rural household' by the Ministry;
- (b) whether it is true that those localities not visited by census collectors are classified as rural households and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of rural households in the country, State-wise and the percentage of such households in terms of the State-wise and overall population of the country; and
- (d) whether the Government is considering a change in the definition of rural household, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Rural Development followed the 'Census-2011' definition of rural household for conducting Socio Economic and Caste Census(SECC), 2011 in rural areas. A 'Household' is defined under Census-2011" as a group of persons, who normally live together and take their meals from a common kitchen/common cooking unless the exigencies of work prevent any of them from doing so". SECC, 2011 for rural areas was conducted using the same Enumeration Blocks (EBs) as defined under Census-2011. The State-wise number and percentage of rural households in the country, according to SECC, 2011 is given at **Annexure-I**.

(d): As on date no change in the definition of rural household is under consideration in the Ministry.

ANNEXURE I

ANNEXURE REFERRED IN STATEMENT IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.
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State Name	Total SECC households	Total SECC rural households	Per cent of rural households w.r.t. total households in State	Per cent of Rural households w.r.t. total rural households in country
ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS	92717	68481	73.86%	0.04%
ANDHRA PRADESH	12270164	9344180	76.15%	5.20%
ARUNACHAL PRADESH	260217	201842	77.57%	0.11%
ASSAM	6427614	5743835	89.36%	3.19%
BIHAR	20074242	17829066	88.82%	9.92%
CHANDIGARH	214233	15657	7.31%	0.01%
CHHATTISGARH	5714798	4540999	79.46%	2.53%
DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	66571	45352	68.13%	0.03%
DAMAN AND DIU	44968	31795	70.71%	0.02%
GOA	302950	220731	72.86%	0.12%
GUJARAT	11629409	6920473	59.51%	3.85%
HARYANA	4630959	2969509	64.12%	1.65%
HIMACHAL PRADESH	1427365	1263756	88.54%	0.70%
JAMMU & KASHMIR	2094081	1601606	76.48%	0.89%
JHARKHAND	6041931	5044234	83.49%	2.81%
KARNATAKA	13139063	8048664	61.26%	4.48%
KERALA	7698556	6319215	82.08%	3.51%
LAKSHADWEEP	10929	10929	100.00%	0.01%
MADHYA PRADESH	14723864	11288946	76.67%	6.28%
MAHARASHTRA	22962600	13841960	60.28%	7.70%
MANIPUR	578939	448163	77.41%	0.25%
MEGHALAYA	554131	485897	87.69%	0.27%
MIZORAM	226147	111626	49.36%	0.06%
NAGALAND	379164	284310	74.98%	0.16%
NCT OF DELHI	3391313	1051097	30.99%	0.58%
ODISHA	9942101	8677615	87.28%	4.83%
PUDUCHERRY	279857	115249	41.18%	0.06%
PUNJAB	5032199	3269467	64.97%	1.82%
RAJASTHAN	13136591	10223073	77.82%	5.69%
SIKKIM	120014	88723	73.93%	0.05%
TAMILNADU	17521956	10088119	57.57%	5.61%
TELANGANA	8244441	5643739	68.46%	3.14%
TRIPURA	875621	697062	79.61%	0.39%
UTTARAKHAND	1968773	1479742	75.16%	0.82%
UTTAR PRADESH	32475784	26015592	80.11%	14.47%
WEST BENGAL	20367144	15756750	77.36%	8.76%
ALL INDIA	244921406	179787454	73.41%	100.00%
