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DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.852
TO BE ANSWERED ON FEBRUARY 7, 2022

WEALTH AND INCOME INEQUALITY

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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government plans to regularly compile data on wealth and income inequality in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the share of the top 10 per cent wealthy people in country's national wealth; and
- (d) the details of wealth inequality, State-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE
(SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (d) Statistics relating to wealth and income inequality is not compiled by the Central Government. Household consumption expenditure data collected by National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) could be used as a proxy to capture the income inequality in terms of consumption expenditure. However, the latest data of large sample survey on household consumer expenditure collected by NSSO in its 68th round is for 2011-12.
