GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2869 TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.08.2025

CONFERENCE FOR STRENGTHEN OF STATISTICAL SYSTEM

2869. SHRI HASMUKHBHAI SOMABHAI PATEL:

SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:

SHRI NARAYAN TATU RANE:

DR. PRASHANT YADAORAO PADOLE:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the main objectives and achievements of the Conference of Ministers of State Government in the context of strengthening the statistical system;
- (b) the plan of the Government to address the specific requirement identified during the last Conference to make minute assessment at substate level;
- (c) whether any new initiatives was proposed highlighted during the Conference; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE 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 OF THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a) The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) organized a Conference of State Government Ministers on the theme 'Strengthening of Statistical Systems' on 5th April, 2025 at New Delhi. The key objectives of the conference were to highlight importance of producing relevant, accurate, & timely statistics at both national and sub-national

levels for various socio-economic indicators; to emphasize key areas of collaboration/ partnership for strengthening national & state statistical systems; as well as to deliberate on expectations and requirements of States/UTs to improve their statistical systems.

During the conference, representatives from various States and UTs were sensitized of MoSPI's continual efforts in organizing trainings, workshops, and conferences in collaboration with State Governments and UT Administrations to support the generation of key statistical products at the sub-state (granular) level. These initiatives, the conference being one of them, have significantly contributed to strengthening statistical capacity across States and UTs by creating synergy between the national and state statistical systems, to ensure consistent and quality data collection and compilation of various indicators aligned with standards followed by MoSPI.

(b) Provision for generating district-level estimates has recently been incorporated in most of the major NSS surveys by adopting 'district' as the basic stratum in survey sampling design. Further, the provision of State participation has been introduced in NSS Surveys to generate annual district level estimates of major indicators by the States. These district level estimates are envisaged to facilitate targeted policy formulation at the sub-state level. Additionally, MoSPI assists States/ UTs by serving as members of committees constituted by the States/ UTs for preparation of various indicators.

(c) & (d) Yes Sir.

During the conference, MoSPI released annual publication namely "Women and Men in India 2024: Selected Indicators and Data" and also launched the website of National Statistical Systems Training Academy (NSSTA), which is the training academy of MoSPI. The revamped Micro-data Portal of MoSPI, which currently hosts data of more than 175 socio-economic surveys, was also launched to improve dissemination of micro-level/ unit-level data. In addition, semantic search on National Industrial Classification Code, developed during the recently concluded Hackathon in IIT Gandhinagar during March, 2025 was also showcased during the Conference.
