

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2027
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.02.2026**

DISTRICT-LEVEL PLANNING AND PROGRAMME ACCOUNTABILITY

2027. MRS. RUCHI VIRA:

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

(a) whether the Government has reviewed the adequacy and timeliness of socio-economic and industrial statistics relating to Moradabad district of Uttar Pradesh, particularly for planning, monitoring and evaluation of development programmes;

(b) if so, the details of the data collection reforms, administrative coordination and survey refinements undertaken by the Government to strengthen evidence-based policy-making in the district; and

(c) the details of statistical system strengthening measures proposed by the Government to ensure accurate district-level planning and programme accountability?

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) to (c): National Sample Survey (NSS) under the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) is responsible for conducting large scale sample surveys on various socio-economic subjects across the country and give estimates of important indicators based on the Central sample data, both at the national level and the State/UT level.

MoSPI has undertaken several reforms/ initiatives to strengthen evidence-based policymaking and planning by enhancing the quality, frequency, timeliness, granularity and accessibility of official statistics for planning, monitoring and evaluation of development programmes. A major focus has been the modernization of National Sample Surveys through the adoption of digital platforms such as Computer Assisted Personal Interview (CAPI) integrated with e-SIGMA platform incorporating in-built validation checks, AI-enabled chatbots and multilingual interfaces. Additionally, sampling design of major surveys have been modified by adopting district as the basic stratum enabling states to generate district (including Moradabad) level estimates of key indicators for evidence-based policy-making.

MoSPI supports States/ UTs to enhance their capacity building through its Support for Statistical Strengthening (SSS) Sub-Scheme which aims to improve/ strengthen the statistical capacity and operations of the state statistical system for collecting, compiling and disseminating reliable official statistics.
