

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PLANNING**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 908
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.02.2026**

NATIONAL MULTIDIMENSIONAL POVERTY INDEX

908. SHRI KAUSHALENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether NITI Aayog had released the National Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI) during the year 2023 and no report has been prepared after that and if so, reasons therefor;**
- (b) whether poverty has been reduced in Bihar based on MPI 2023 report of NITI Aayog; and**
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the number of poor families who have been uplifted from extreme poverty on the basis of the said report?**

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 CULTURE

(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

- (a) Yes, Sir. NITI Aayog has released the second edition of the National Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI) titled 'National Multidimensional Poverty Index: A Progress Review 2023'. The report is based on NFHS-5 data which is the latest available data.**

(b) & (c) As per ‘the National Multidimensional Poverty Index: A Progress Review 2023’ released by NITI Aayog, the proportion of population in multidimensional poverty in Bihar declined from 51.89 per cent in 2015-16 to 33.76 per cent in 2019-21. About 2.25 crore people escaped multidimensional poverty in Bihar between 2015-16 and 2019-21.

Additionally, as per Discussion Paper titled ‘Multidimensional Poverty in India since 2005-06’, released in January 2024, the multidimensional poverty in Bihar is estimated to have declined from 56.34% in 2013-14 to 26.59% in 2022-23, corresponding to about 3.77 crore people in Bihar escaping multidimensional poverty during the period. The details of the same are in the public domain and can be accessed at:

<https://www.niti.gov.in/sites/default/files/2023-08/India-National-Multidimensional-Poverty-Index-2023.pdf>

https://www.niti.gov.in/sites/default/files/2024-01/MPI-22_NITI-Aayog20254.pdf
