

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1121
TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, THE 2ND MARCH, 2016**

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

**1121. SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
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SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:**

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

- (a) whether the Consumer Price Index (CPI) is widely used as a macro economic indicator of inflation;**
- (b) if so, whether the Government has revised the base year of CPI recently and if so, the details thereof and the objective behind this move;**
- (c) the details of CPI number of rural, urban and combined;**
- (d) the details of the inflation rates, State/UT-wise; and**
- (e) the criteria fixed by the Government for collecting price data?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS [GENERAL (Dr.) V.K. SINGH (Retd.)]

(a) : Yes, Madam. The Reserve Bank of India uses Consumer Price Index (Combined) as the key measure of inflation for formulating the Monetary Policy of India. Central Statistics Office, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation also uses this index as proxy indicator for movement in prices of concerned items for

converting current price estimates to constant price estimates of National Accounts and vice-versa.

(b) : The Government has revised the Base Year of Consumer Price Index from 2010 to 2012 with effect from the index of January 2015. The objective behind this revision was to consider a more recent period (2012 now in place of 2010 earlier) as the Base Year and to minimize the gap between 'Price Reference Year' or the Base Year and 'Weight Reference Year' (i.e. the year in respect of which the data of consumer expenditure is used to compute weights for aggregating elementary indices to compile higher level indices i.e. sub-group, group and overall indices). Details of the Base Year Revision are available in the publication 'Consumer Price Index: Changes in the Revised Series (Base Year 2012=100)' and in the Report of the 'Group of Technical Advisory Committee on Statistics of Prices and Cost of Living' available on the website of the Ministry (www.mospi.gov.in).

(c) : All India Monthly Consumer Price indices for Rural, Urban and Combined sectors for the period of January 2015 to January 2016 are at Annexure I.

(d) : Year on Year Inflation Rates (i.e. Current month over same month of last year), based on CPI (Combined) for all-India as well as States/Union Territories for the period of January 2015 to January 2016, are at Annexure II.

(e) : The Basket of Items for CPI is prepared by providing relative importance to various items of consumption (in terms of their shares of expenditure in household budget) and consumption pattern of the people across the States/Union Territories. Items have been classified into six groups, 23 sub-groups and various sections. Prices of the finalized basket of items are collected from 1,181 selected village markets covering all districts of the country for rural areas and from 1,114 urban markets of 310 selected towns of urban areas.

Annexure I**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1121 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 02.03.2016****All India Consumer Price Indices for Rural, Urban and Combined
sectors for the period of January 2015 to January 2016****(Base: 2012 = 100)**

Month-Year	Rural	Urban	Combined
January 2015	120.3	118.5	119.5
February 2015	120.6	118.7	119.7
March 2015	121.1	119.1	120.2
April 2015	121.5	119.7	120.7
May 2015	122.4	120.7	121.6
June 2015	124.1	121.7	123.0
July 2015	124.7	122.4	123.6
August 2015	126.1	123.2	124.8
September 2015	127.0	123.5	125.4
October 2015	127.7	124.2	126.1
November 2015	128.3	124.6	126.6
December 2015	127.9	124.0	126.1
January 2016 (P)	128.1	124.2	126.3

Note- P: Provisional i.e. figures for January 2016 are provisional.

Annexure II

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1121 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 02.03.2016

**Year on Year Inflation Rates (i.e. Current month over same month of last year), based on CPI (Combined)
for all-India as well as States/Union Territories, on Base 2012, from January 2015 to January 2016**

State/ UT Code	All India/States/Union Territories	Jan. 2015	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Apr. 2015	May. 2015	Jun. 2015	Jul. 2015	Aug. 2015	Sep. 2015	Oct. 2015	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. 2016 (P)
99	All India	5.19	5.37	5.25	4.87	5.01	5.40	3.69	3.74	4.41	5.00	5.41	5.61	5.69
01	Jammu and Kashmir	6.06	6.97	7.12	7.80	8.28	6.80	5.96	6.17	5.54	6.38	6.55	6.23	4.54
02	Himachal Pradesh	4.70	5.40	5.45	5.24	5.67	5.99	4.54	4.50	4.56	4.29	4.14	3.56	3.90
03	Punjab	5.53	5.52	5.23	4.57	4.73	4.88	2.72	2.52	2.93	3.18	3.95	3.65	3.13
04	Chandigarh	5.71	5.24	4.83	4.06	3.58	3.83	2.75	2.73	2.89	3.40	3.75	4.47	4.20
05	Uttarakhand	4.03	3.75	3.46	2.64	2.80	3.41	2.67	2.55	3.23	3.65	3.83	3.78	3.79
06	Haryana	5.30	5.21	5.26	4.87	4.75	4.97	3.07	2.70	3.20	3.80	4.49	4.44	4.01
07	Delhi	4.61	4.04	4.91	5.32	5.73	5.74	4.31	4.37	5.13	5.21	4.88	4.53	4.66
08	Rajasthan	6.10	6.63	6.85	6.36	7.13	6.72	4.79	4.06	5.08	6.17	6.34	6.28	6.00
09	Uttar Pradesh	4.21	4.47	3.82	3.36	3.52	4.11	3.02	2.48	3.22	3.96	4.55	5.19	5.56
10	Bihar	5.05	4.89	4.08	3.46	2.93	3.57	2.68	4.46	5.32	4.89	4.33	5.39	5.30
11	Sikkim	4.01	3.83	3.81	4.05	4.12	4.08	4.12	4.16	5.47	6.41	6.01	7.49	12.67
12	Arunachal Pradesh	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
13	Nagaland	7.46	8.09	9.24	7.10	7.33	5.36	4.54	4.65	4.88	5.09	5.90	4.83	6.53
14	Manipur	3.80	6.13	6.49	5.79	5.93	6.39	6.18	5.69	5.49	5.01	5.38	6.06	4.74
15	Mizoram	3.83	3.40	3.24	3.76	3.40	2.86	3.27	2.82	3.74	3.21	4.70	5.02	3.28
16	Tripura	7.28	6.92	4.87	3.06	3.21	2.38	0.94	1.16	1.53	1.83	1.45	3.66	4.57
17	Meghalaya	11.60	11.89	9.81	9.31	7.98	6.98	6.36	7.01	8.17	7.67	7.19	7.73	7.27

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18	Assam	2.44	3.32	3.13	4.36	5.11	4.70	3.54	3.77	3.97	4.62	5.14	5.90	6.05
19	West Bengal	2.67	3.72	2.75	2.40	1.87	2.54	2.09	3.23	3.64	3.55	3.40	4.02	5.12
20	Jharkhand	2.78	3.58	3.74	3.72	4.05	4.26	3.84	3.87	5.22	5.39	5.39	6.22	7.02
21	Odisha	5.07	7.00	7.73	7.42	6.76	6.63	4.29	3.89	3.88	5.93	6.85	7.61	8.06
22	Chhattisgarh	4.95	6.02	6.51	6.99	8.10	8.34	4.53	3.29	4.87	7.60	8.68	6.81	8.68
23	Madhya Pradesh	5.18	4.82	5.33	4.96	5.02	5.24	3.45	2.90	3.92	4.67	4.83	4.85	4.50
24	Gujarat	5.00	5.64	5.43	5.04	5.18	5.37	3.82	3.18	4.13	5.24	5.76	5.52	5.44
25	Daman and Diu	7.26	6.53	7.30	6.59	6.98	9.03	8.93	7.00	9.03	9.86	9.34	10.21	10.68
26	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	3.77	4.05	4.22	3.84	4.64	4.48	2.49	2.37	3.96	6.66	6.90	7.30	6.58
27	Maharashtra	5.47	5.45	5.34	5.03	5.00	5.13	2.98	3.22	4.00	4.68	5.19	5.02	4.93
28	Andhra Pradesh	5.54	6.06	6.04	6.19	6.21	7.26	5.00	5.56	7.21	8.06	8.83	9.45	9.66
29	Karnataka	6.71	7.05	6.94	6.87	7.06	7.31	5.68	5.66	6.51	6.57	7.21	7.29	7.59
30	Goa	4.86	4.70	4.77	3.96	4.70	4.65	2.64	2.04	3.81	4.23	5.15	5.54	6.71
31	Lakshadweep	6.64	7.06	7.16	6.65	6.06	6.92	5.27	4.42	4.53	5.29	5.38	4.51	5.45
32	Kerala	6.65	6.28	5.98	5.39	5.51	6.07	4.06	3.11	2.87	3.37	3.70	3.87	4.27
33	Tamil Nadu	6.97	6.52	6.15	5.66	5.86	6.58	4.69	3.83	4.94	6.03	6.46	6.69	6.52
34	Puducherry	6.06	10.17	11.00	10.67	10.98	11.72	9.98	10.42	11.95	7.40	8.89	9.03	7.79
35	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	6.73	6.96	7.10	5.75	4.08	4.50	5.80	6.17	6.03	8.23	7.09	6.85	6.39
36	Telangana	4.42	4.88	5.31	4.67	5.07	6.16	3.90	4.29	5.33	5.07	6.33	5.92	6.86

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-- : Indicates the receipt of price schedules for urban areas is less than 80% of allocated schedules, therefore, indices for urban sector and consequently for combined sector and the inflation rates, based thereon, have not been compiled.