

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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POVERTY ALLEVIATION SCHEMES IN TAMIL NADU
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the poverty alleviation schemes currently under progress/implementation in Tamil Nadu;
- (b) whether there is any proposal to utilize the excess foodgrains available with the Union Government for utilization of poverty alleviation;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

- (a): The Ministry of Urban Development and Poverty Alleviation implements an urban poverty Alleviation programme called 'Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rojgar Yojana (SJSRY)' with effect from 01.12.1997 on all India basis including the State of Tamil Nadu. This programme seeks to provide gainful employment to the urban unemployed or underemployed poor
- (i) through encouraging the setting up of self-employment ventures by those who have read upto 9th standard under its Urban Self Employment Programme (USEP) component and
 - (ii) through provision of wage employment by utilising their labour for construction of socially and economically useful public assets under its Urban Wage Employment Programme (UWEP). This programme is funded in the ratio of 75:25 between the Centre and the States.
- (b): The Ministry of Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation has no such proposal under the SJSRY programme.
- (c): Does not arise.
- (d): The programme provides payment of wages in cash only for work executed under its UWEP component.