

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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NATIONAL COMMISSION ON POPULATION

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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Commission on Population has surveyed 569 of 593 districts of the country on the basis of 11 key socio economic and demographic indicators and as a composite index;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the norms fixed for selection of districts;
- (c) the particulars of the districts which recorded highest/lowest composite index value in various States;
- (d) the details of the recommendations made by the Commission in this regard; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government to implement the same?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INVESTMENTS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING, STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE)

(a) and (b): The National Commission on Population (NCP) has ranked and mapped 569 districts of the country on the basis of 12 social, economic and demographic indicators and a composite index based on them with a view to know the comparative position of each districts in relation to these indicators.

(c): The State-wise list of the districts which recorded highest and lowest composite index is given below:

State	District with Highest Composite Index Value	District with Lowest Composite Index
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Andhra Pradesh	Hyderabad	Adilabad
Arunachal Pradesh	East Siang	Upper Subansiri
Assam	Jorhat	North Cachor Hills
Bihar	Patna	Jamui
Chhattisgarh	Durg	Surguja
Goa	North Goa	South Goa
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	The Dangs
Haryana	Ambala	Faridabad
Himachal Pradesh	Una	Kinaur
Jharkhand	Purbi Singhbhum	Godda
Karnataka	Hassan	Koppal
Kerala	Ernakulam	Malappuram
Madhya Pradesh	Balaghat	Sidhi
Maharashtra	Greater Mumbai	Nanded
Manipur	Imphal	Chandel
Meghalaya	East Khasi Hills	South Garo Hills
Mizoram	Serchhip	Lawngtlai
Nagaland	Mokokchung	Tuensang
Orissa	Cuttack	Nabarangpur
Punjab	Hoshiyarpur	Ferozpur
Rajasthan	Jhunjhunu	Barmer
Sikkim	East Sikkim	North Sikkim
Tamil Nadu	Chennai	Dharmapuri
Tripura	West Tripura	Dhalai
Uttar Pradesh	Kanpur	Nagar Balrampur
Uttaranchal	Nainital	Udham Singh Nagar
West Bengal	Kolkata	Uttar Dinajpur

(d) and (e): The NCP has not made any specific recommendations based on this exercise. However, the information/data brought out by it will be useful to policy makers, administrators, researchers and all those who are concerned with inter State and intra State disparities in economic and social development.