

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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POVERTY OF WOMEN IN UNORGANISED SECTOR
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the ratio of women poverty is increasing day by day;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to formulate a comprehensive action plan to remove the poverty of the women working in unorganised sector;
- (c) if so, by when; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA)

(a) The estimates of poverty are not made at gender disaggregated level by the Planning Commission, which is the nodal agency in the Government in charge of poverty estimation.

(b) The following schemes are being implemented by the Government of India to address issues relating to poverty alleviation among workers in the unorganized sector including that of women in the country, namely:

A. Ministry of Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation

- (1) Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY);
- (2) The Urban Self Employment Programme (USEP);
- (3) The Urban Wage Employment Programme (UWEP);

B. Ministry of Rural Development

- (4) Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY);
- (5) Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana (SGRY);
- (6) Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY);

C. Department of Women & Child Development

- (7) Swawlamban (NORAD);
- (8) Support to Training & Employment Programme (STEP).

A comprehensive legislation for workers in the unorganized sectors is under consideration of the Government in the Ministry of Labour for regulating their terms of employment, conditions of service and social security measures. The women workers will also be eligible.

(c)&(d) Do not arise.