

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2543
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REPORT CARD OF AP IN NATIONAL HUMAN DEVELOPMENT REPORT
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the position of AP has declined from eight in 1981 to 10 in 2001 according to the National Human Development Report 2002;
- (b) if so, whether the report by the Centre for Economic and Social Studies (CESS) points out that AP lags behind particularly in literacy, schooling and infant mortality compared to other Southern States; and
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN)

- (a): According to the National Human Development Report, the position of Andhra Pradesh has declined from nine in 1981 to 10 in 2001.
- (b): According to the Report by the Centre for Economic and Social Studies (CESS), Andhra Pradesh lags behind in human development indicators particularly in literacy, schooling and infant mortality compared to other Southern States.
- (c): The above has been largely attributed to a decline in social sector expenditure (which includes among other things education, health, and family welfare), as a percentage of GDP and in total public expenditures in 1990s as compared to 1980s.