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SURVEY ON SOCIO-ECONOMIC ASPECTS  
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**Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) the recent surveys on socio-economic aspects conducted in the Union Territory of Pondicherry;
- (b) the details of results of such surveys on housing conditions, debt and investment and land live stock holdings etc;
- (c) the details of performance of infrastructure sectors in Pondicherry; and
- (d) the details of projects of Rs. 20 crores or more and their performance/impact in Pondicherry?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION  
(SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

(a) Some of the recent surveys on socio-economic aspects conducted by the National Sample Survey Organisation in the entire country including the UT of Pondicherry through various National Sample Survey (NSS) rounds are as under:

NSS 58th round (July-December 2002) survey on consumer expenditure, employment-unemployment, disabled persons, housing condition, village facilities and slum particulars.

NSS 59th round (January-December 2003) survey on consumer expenditure, employment-unemployment, land and livestock holdings, debt and investment, and situation assessment survey of farmers.

NSS 60th round (January-June 2004) survey on consumer expenditure, employment-unemployment, morbidity and health care.

(b) The latest available results in respect of the UT of Pondicherry are given below. Concepts and definitions are available in the related NSS reports available in the Ministry's website ([mospi.nic.in](http://mospi.nic.in)).

Subject: Housing condition

Percentage distribution of dwelling units by type

Rural		Urban			
Pucca	Semi-pucca	Katcha	Pucca	Semi-pucca	Katcha
26	20	54	70	15	15

(Source: NSS Report No. 488: Housing condition in India, NSS 58th round: July-December 2002)

Subjects: Debt and investment, Land and livestock holdings

Data collected on these subjects through NSS 59th round (January - December 2003) are under processing. However, key results based on the previous survey (NSS 48th round: January - December 1992) are given below:

Number of households reporting borrowings in cash during the reference period of 1.7.91 to 30.6.92 per thousand households:

145 for rural and 231 for urban.

(Source: NSS Report No. 431 (Part I): Household borrowings and repayments during 1.7.91 to 30.6.92; NSS 48th round: January - December 1992)

Households reporting broad items of fixed capital expenditure

during the reference period of 1.7.91 to 30.6.92

Fixed Capital expenditure in

Sector	Residential Plot, Building & Other Construction		Farm Business		Non-Farm Business		Any Item	
	P	A	P	A	P	A	P	A
Rural	15	217	93	233	7	61	108	511
Urban	35	1256	16	42	12	130	63	1428

Note: P = Number of households reporting an item of fixed capital expenditure per thousand households; A = Average value (Rs.) of corresponding expenditure per household

(Source: NSS Report No. 437: Household capital expenditure during 1.7.91 to 30.6.92; NSS 48th round: January-December 1992)

Percentage distribution of households by size class of operational holdings

size class of household operational holdings (in ha.)

Sector	Nil	Less than 0.002	0.002-		1.01-		2.01-		5.01 & above	All sizes
			0.20	1.00	2.00	5.00				
Rural	32.76	3.43	40.08	15.21	5.49	2.09	0.94	100		
Urban	63.51	4.08	28.88	3.01	0.41	0.12	0	100		

(Source: NSS Report No. 408: Livestock and agricultural implements in household operational holdings; NSS 48th round: January-December 1992)

Number of livestock of various categories owned per 100 households

Sector	Cattle	Buffalo	Sheep & goats	Pigs	Poultry
Rural	43	1	25	0	86
Urban	9	4	3	0	35

(Source: NSS Report No. 408: Livestock and agricultural implements in household operational holdings; NSS 48th round: January-December 1992)

(c) & (d): Infrastructure sector covers Power, Coal, Steel, Railways, Roads, Shipping & Ports, Civil Aviation, Telecom, Fertilizers, Cement and Petroleum. There are currently no new projects costing Rs. 20 crores or more. With regard to the performance of existing projects, the details are being collected from the concerned Ministries and the same will be furnished on their availability.