

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
PLANNING  
LOK SABHA**

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BPL FAMILIES  
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**Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of the families living Below Poverty Line at present, State-wise;
- (b) whether special financial assistance has been provided to deal with the poverty in the State;
- (c) if so, the details thereof , and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to consider giving a special package to the poorer State; and
- (e) if not, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PRALIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY)

(a): The estimation of poverty is done by the Ministry of Rural Development by conducting BPL census to cover them under various programme. Comparative statement indicating the number of house hold on the basis of poverty estimate of 1991-2000 and Adjusted Share is given at Annexure –I.

(b) to (d) : Two major poverty alleviation programmes namely Swrana Jayati Gram Swrojgar Yojana (SGSY) and National Rural Employment Guaranty Act (NREGA) are under implementation. SGSY is a self employment programme covering all aspects such as organise self help groups (SHGs),skill development,provided credit from bank,providing subside from GOI etc, go get incremental income on a sustainable basis.Since 1977 under SGSY 32 lakh SHGs have been formed and 7 lakh SHGs have been provided economic assistance.Total 115lakh Swrojgaries have been provided economic assistance.

Under NREGA, which was lunched on 2nd Febuary,2006 wages employment up to 100 days is provided to all the rural house hold in a financial year for adult numbers to are welling take up manual work.Performance of NREGA is given as under:

Year      Rural House hold benefited  
(in crore)

2006-07	90.50	2.10
2007-08	143.59	3.39
2008-09	152.12	3.70

(up to  
January 09)

(e): Both these scheme are demand driven and poorer states are encouraged to achieve highest target.Therefore,a special is package is not under consideration.