

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION  
LOK SABHA**

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GROWTH RATE  
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**Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:**

(a) the details of percentage of growth rate achieved at National and State level as per the latest assessment of National Sample Survey Organisation(NSSO); and

(b) the present status regarding poverty, malnutrition, literacy etc. in the country at National and State level as per the above assessment?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE), IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) Growth rate of economy can not be worked out solely based on the data collected by NSSO. However, indicators of performance of the economy can be fairly derived based on the data thrown up by its surveys. For example based on its surveys covering the subjects of employment-unemployment and consumer expenditure, rate of employment, as measured by Worker Population Ratio (WPR) and level of consumption are worked out to give the idea of employment situation and level of consumption in the country. Accordingly, "number of persons usually employed per 1000 persons for the major States" for last three surveys are given at Annex I and State-wise Average Monthly Per Capita Consumption Expenditure (MPCE) in these rounds is given at Annex-II. These statements in Annex – I and Annex – II give fairly good idea of growth in employment and consumption level over the years as revealed by these surveys.

(b) The "number and percentage of population below poverty line by states during 1993-94 and 2004-05 has been worked out by Planning Commission on the basis of NSS 50th (July 1993-June 1994) and 61st round (July 2004-June 2005) and detail is given at Annex-III. A statement giving state-wise information on per capita intake of calorie, protein and fat based on 61st round (July 2004-June 2005), is given at Annex-IV. The Literacy rate for persons of all ages for each State, Group of U.Ts. and Group of North -Eastern States during 2005-06 is given at Annex-V. These statements (Annex-III to Annex-V) present the status regarding poverty, malnutrition and literacy in the country as per the latest surveys of NSSO covering these subjects.