

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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UPLIFTMENT OF BPL FAMILIES  
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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has any data of Below Poverty Line (BPL) families crossing over the poverty line;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the number of BPL families crossed the BPL line after availing the benefits of the schemes formulated for their upliftment, State-wise;
- (c) if not, the steps taken by the Government to obtain the requisite data; and
- (d) the manner in which the Government ascertain the achievement of its schemes in the absence of vital datas?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI PRADEEP JAIN 'ADITYA')

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Rural Development do not maintain data regarding number of BPL families who crossed poverty line through the assistance provided under various rural development schemes. However, the finding of the Concurrent Evaluation study of the self employment programme namely, Swarnjayanti Gram Swarajgar Yojana (SGSY) mentioned that 37% individuals swarajgaris and 15% members of Self Help Groups (SHGs) crossed the poverty line at National level who were provided financial assistance under SGSY. State-wise details are given at Annexure.

(d): The Ministry of Rural Development has developed a comprehensive system of monitoring the implementation of the programmes including utilization of funds through Periodical Progress Reports, Performance Review Committee Meetings, Area Officer's Scheme, Vigilance and Monitoring Committees at the State and District Levels and National Level Monitors. The State Governments and Union Territory Administrations have been advised to adopt a five- pronged strategy to improve the implementation of the rural development schemes consisting of

- (i) creation of awareness about the schemes,
- (ii) transparency,
- (iii) people's participation,
- (iv) accountability, social audit and
- (v) vigilance and monitoring of rural development programmes at all levels to achieve maximum success rate.