

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION
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PER CAPITA INCOME
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Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the per capita income (PCI) of the country during the last financial year;
- (b) whether there is any disparity in the PCI of the country in comparison to other developing nations;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to bridge this disparity?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION(DR. M.S. GILL)

(a) According to the Quick Estimates of National Income released on 31st January, 2011 the per capita income of the country in the year 2009-10 was Rs.46,492 at current prices.

(b) & (c) Yes, Sir. The disparity in the per capita income in developing countries can be seen from the per capita Gross National Income based on Purchasing Power Parity (PPP) of a few developing countries given below, which are collected from the World Bank's World Development Indicators Database Report of 15th December, 2010.

Per Capita Gross National Income in the year 2009

Country Per capita gross national
income (PPP international
dollars)

Brazil 10,200

South Africa 10,050

China 6,890

Sri Lanka 4,720

Philippines 4,060

India 3,250

Pakistan 2,680

Bangladesh 1,550

(d) The Indian economy is expected to grow by 8.6 per cent in 2010-11 and 9 per cent +/- 0.25 per cent in the fiscal 2011-12. The Government has taken a number of initiatives to make growth sustainable and inclusive, which inter alia, includes bridging infrastructure deficit, fiscal consolidation and enhanced flow of resources to social sector schemes. There are multi pronged strategies for increasing the growth of the overall economy and thereby improving the per capita national income. For generation of employment, the schemes such as Mahatma Gandhi National Employment Guarantee Scheme and Swarnajayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) are being implemented. The Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) and the time-bound scheme Bharat Nirman are undertaken in the areas of irrigation, roads, housing, water supply, electrification and telecommunication for strengthening the infrastructure for economic growth.