

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5647
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COVERAGE OF BPL
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to cover persons having an annual income of two and half lacs of rupees under the Below Poverty Line (BPL) card holders category;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government intends to provide BPL card holder's facility to the above mentioned people in view of rising cost of medical treatment; and
- (d) If so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES (DR. ASHWANI KUMAR)

- (a) : No such proposal is there.
- (b): Does not arise. Below Poverty Line (BPL) Survey is underway. Poverty line is around Rs 781 per capita per month in rural areas and Rs 965 per capita per month in urban areas at June, 2011 price level. BPL families will be identified in the socio-economic Census (BPL Survey).
- (c): No such decision has been taken or proposal is there.
- (d): Does not arise.