

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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SCHEMES FOR BPL PERSONS

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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

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

**Answer**

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

(a)to(d): The Ministry of Rural Development is implementing a major self employment programme namely the Swarnjayanti Gram Swaroggar Yojana (SGSY)/National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM), in all the rural areas of the country through State Government and Union Territory Administrations, with the objectives to bring the assisted poor rural families above poverty line. The All India Report of Concurrent Evaluation Study of SGSY, conducted through the independent research organizations during 2008, reveals that percentage of sampled individual swaroggaris crossed the poverty line due to the assistance provided under the SGSY ranged from 17.46% in Chhatisgarh to 33.33% in Gujarat. Similarly members of Self Help Groups (SHGs), who crossed poverty line ranged from 16.28% to Uttaranchal to 33.86% in Meghalaya State.

(e): The Ministry of Rural Development has a comprehensive system of monitoring the implementation and impact of the programmes including utilisation of funds through Periodical Progress Reports using Management Information System (MIS), Performance Review Committee, Area Officer's Scheme, Vigilance and Monitoring Committee at the State/District Level and National Level Monitors. Besides, the State Governments have been advised to adopt a five- pronged strategy consisting of (i) creation of awareness about the schemes, (ii) transparency, (iii) people's partnership, (iv) accountability, social audit and (v) strict vigilance and monitoring at all level. The Ministry also conducts Evaluation Studies of rural development programmes to assess the impact at grassroots level and to take corrective measures.