

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
FINANCE  
LOK SABHA**

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PER CAPITA INCOME AND DEBT  
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**Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the per capita income and per capita debt burden of the country during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) the details of increase in the per capita purchasing power in the country vis-a-vis the rise in prices during the same period; and
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) As per the Press note on Quick estimates and Advance estimates of National Income, 2011-12 released by Central Statistics Office (CSO) on January 31st, 2012 and February 7, 2012, the per capita income in nominal terms is estimated to be ₹ 46117, ₹ 53331 and ₹ 60972 in 2009-10, 2010-11 and 2011-12 respectively. India's per capita external debt is estimated to be US dollar 221.7, US Dollar 256.6 and US Dollar 277.3 in 2009-10, 2010-11 and 2011-12 respectively.

(b)&(c) Information on the growth rate of per capita income at current prices and WPI inflation rate are given as under:

(in per cent)

Items	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
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Growth rate of per capita income at current prices	13.1	15.6	14.3
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WPI inflation rate	3.8	9.6	8.8
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The growth rate of per capita income at current prices has been more than the WPI inflation rate which reflects increase in the per capita purchasing power in the country.