

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:97
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SOCIO ECONOMIC AND CASTE CENSUS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of Socio Economic and Caste Census;
- (b) the funds allocated, released and utilized so far, State-wise for conducting the Census;
- (c) whether the data/input generated through the Census is likely to be used for various Rural Development/Welfare Schemes; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

- (a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No.97 due for answer on 16.08.2012.

- (a): The Socio Economic and Caste Census (SECC 2011) was launched on 29th June, 2011 in the country which is being carried out by the respective State Governments /Union Territory Administrations with the financial and technical support of the Ministry of Rural Development to generate a large number of social and economic indicators relating to households across the country for their ranking. The census is still progressing and the present status of the SECC 2011 as on 07.08.2012 is enclosed as Annexure -I.
- (b): The state-wise details of the fund allocated and released to the States for conducting the census is given in Annexure -II.
- (c) & (d): The SECC, 2011 will enable ranking of households based on their socio-economic status, which would be the basis for identification of households who could be assisted under the various programmes of the Ministry of Rural Development.