

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) the plan outlay for poverty alleviation programmes in the current Five Year Plan;
- (b) the percentage of rural population brought above the poverty line during the last Five Year Plan; and
- (c) the State-wise target fixed for poverty alleviation programmes during the current Five Year Plan?

**Answer**

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

(a) : The Plan outlay for 2012-13, of Ministry of Rural Development is Rs. 73,175 crore.

(b)to(c): The Ministry of Rural Development is implementing a number of schemes with specific objectives and the persons crossing the poverty line are not assessed in all these Schemes. However, one of the major Self-Employment Scheme namely Swarnajayanti Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY)/ National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) has basic objective to bring the assisted poor families (Swarozgaries) above the poverty line by providing them income generating assets/micro enterprises in rural areas through a mix of Bank Credit and Governmental Subsidy. SGSY has been restructured as National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM) with a view to implement it in a mission mode for targeted and time bound delivery of results. The concurrent evaluation study conducted by the Ministry of Rural Development through reputed independent research organizations during 2007-08 reveals that maximum percentage of individual Swarozgaries and group Swarozgaries who crossed the poverty line due to SGSY activities is in Gujarat (33.33%) and Meghalaya (33.86%) respectively. Similarly minimum number of individual and group Swarozgaries crossing poverty line are in Orissa (14.87%) and Chattisgarh (14.56%) respectively.