

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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SURVEY OF NSSO
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Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether as per a survey conducted by the National Sample Survey Organization for the family consumption expenditure during the year 2011-12, ten per cent people have rupees 503.49/- only as their individual family income;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard during the last three years;
- (d) whether any employment oriented measures are being taken in the rural areas; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE), MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND
MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT KUMAR JENA)

- (a) No, Sir. NSSO does not conduct any survey on Income of Households/families. However, it does conduct Household Consumer Expenditure Surveys periodically.
- (b) As per provisional results of Household Consumer Expenditure Survey conducted by NSSO in 20011-12, average Monthly Per Capita Expenditure of bottom 10% of rural population in rural areas is Rs. 503.49 only.
- (c) Government has introduced good number of schemes both in rural and urban areas of the county aimed at poverty alleviation by way of employment and income generation in recent years. These schemes mainly target poor households both in rural and urban areas.
- (d) Government has enacted Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MNREGA) 2005, as an important step towards right to work and enhance the livelihood security of the rural households in the country. The scheme has been in operation since 2007-08.
- (e) The basic objective of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act is to provide at least 100 days' guarantee of employment in a financial year to every household whose adult members are willing to do unskilled work.