

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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**Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:**

(a) the average per capita monthly expenditure of rural and urban population as per the recent survey of the National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO); and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to improve it?

**Answer**

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

(a) As per the provisional results of 68th round of NSSO Surveys on Household Consumer Expenditure, average Monthly per capita expenditure in rural and urban areas at all India level are Rs.1281.45 and Rs. 2401.68 respectively.

(b) The Government has introduced a number of schemes targeted at rural and urban poor with a view to improve their level of living. Schemes like Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), Swarnjayanti Gram Swarajgar Yojana (SGSY), National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) are in operation in rural areas. Similarly, Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNURM) has been launched on 3rd December 2005 in urban areas for taking up housing and infrastructure facilities for the urban poor in selected 65 cities under Basic Services to Urban Poor (BSUP).

For remaining cities/town, the Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (INSDP) is under operation.