

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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POVERTY ALLEVIATION PROGRAMME NO.

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Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of people living Below Poverty Line (BPL) in urban areas in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether urban poverty has been declining in the country and if so, the details thereof along with its present status, State-wise;
- (c) the details of schemes launched for urban poverty alleviation and employment generation in the country;
- (d) the details of funds sanctioned and released under these schemes to various States during last three years, scheme and state-wise;
- (e) whether these schemes are not getting the desired results; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the details of beneficiaries under these schemes during the last three years, scheme and State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a):A Statement showing State-wise number of urban population Below Poverty Line (BPL) in urban areas in the country for years 2009-10 is at Annexure-I.

(b):Yes Madam. As per the poverty estimates based on Tendulkar Methodology released by the Planning Commission, the percentage of population below poverty line in urban areas has declined from 25.5% in 2004-05 to 20.09% in 2009-10. A Statement showing State-wise number of urban population Below Poverty Line (BPL) in urban areas for years 2009-10 is at Annexure-I.

(c):The Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation is implementing scheme of Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) which aims to provide gainful employment to the urban unemployed and under-employed poor, by encouraging setting up of self employment ventures by the urban poor living below the poverty line, skills training and also through providing wage employment by utilizing their labour for construction of socially and economically useful public assets.

(d):Statement showing State-wise funds sanctioned and released under Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) for the last three years are at Annexure-II.

(e) & (f):A Statement showing State-wise beneficiaries as per reported by States/UTs under Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) for the last three years are at Annexure-III.