

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3936  
ANSWERED ON:21.03.2013  
IDENTIFICATION OF BPL PERSONS  
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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government is facing hurdles to identify and to list eligible BPL beneficiaries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof?
- (c) whether the Government is considering set up any panel/commission to review the method of identifying the poor in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the time by which the same is likely to be set up?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): No Sir.

(c) to (e): The Ministry of Rural Development has constituted an Expert Committee on 28th December, 2012 under the Chairmanship of Prof. Abhijit Sen, Member, Planning Commission to examine the SECC indicators and the data analysis and recommend appropriate methodologies for determining classes of beneficiaries for different rural development programmes. The other members of the Committee are Dr. Kirit S. Parikh, Chairman, IRDe, Prof. Mahendra Dev, Director(IGDR), Shri Nikhil Dey, Suchana Evum Rozgar Adhikar Abhiyan, Dr. Himanshu, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Dr. C. Chandramouli, Registrar General of India, Ms. Indu Agnihotri, Central for Women Development Studies and Shri P.P. Mitra, Chief Economic Adviser, Ministry of Rural Development.