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SURVEY ON POOREST OF POOR
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to conduct any survey in collaboration with some community based organizations/Non-Governmental Organizations to identify the poorest among poor living in different States of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which such survey is likely to be conducted and completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND PLANNING (SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA)

(a) to (c): The Government is not considering any proposal at present to conduct any survey to identify the poorest among poor living in different States of the country. However, the Government is implementing National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) in rural areas to reach out poor households in the country to strengthen their livelihoods.

The target group eligible for benefits under NRLM is identified through a well-defined, transparent and equitable community level process of Participatory Identification of Poor (PIP) at community level.

The selection of beneficiaries through a PIP process is in operation in some States like Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Odisha and Tamil Nadu. In addition, PIP process has also been undertaken in rural livelihoods projects supported by leading NGOs like Dhan Foundation, multilateral agencies such as World Bank and also by Non-Government Organisations (NGOs) supported by National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) etc.

The PIP process is conducted in a phased manner to identify National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM) target group.