

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Disparity in Per Capita Income
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is huge disparity in per capita income in various States;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra;
- (c) the urban and rural per capita income differentials in the country during each of the last three years and the current year; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to bridge the gap during the 12th Five Year Plan ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENCE
(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a)&(b):The per capita income level of States depend on a number of factors which include resource endowments, historical background of development, infrastructure and various other state specific factors. The per capita income, measured in terms of per Capita Net State Domestic Product (NSDP), for all the States/UTs for the year 2013-14 is given in Annexure. The per capita NSDP at current prices is lowest for Bihar (Rs. 31,199) and highest for Goa (Rs. 2,24,138) in 2013-14.

(c): The per capita income of the States is not compiled separately for rural and urban areas.

(d): The Government have taken several measures to improve the growth performance of all the States in a balanced manner. The policy instruments in this regard include plan and non-plan transfer of resources from Centre to States favouring less developed States, tax incentives for setting up of private industries in the backward regions, etc. A number of programmes like Hill Area Development Programme/Western Ghats Development Programme, and Border Area Development Programme had been in operation to reduce income disparity between States. In addition, several Centrally Sponsored Schemes and state specific schemes are being implemented which are expected to improve the income levels in different States.