

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

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IDENTIFICATION OF URBAN POOR  
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**Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Ministry finds it difficult to identify beneficiaries for various schemes on account of the mismatch between the set BPL cut off and the actual vulnerable conditions of the individual;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Ministry proposes to deviate from the Planning Commission's income benchmark and to identify the urban poor on the basis of socio-economic and occupational vulnerabilities; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the mechanism worked out in this regard?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION(SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU)

(a) to (d): The Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation is implementing the centrally sponsored scheme viz. National Urban Livelihoods Mission (NULM) for urban poverty alleviation in the country. The Ministry is conducting the Socio-Economic & Caste Census in Urban Areas of the country for identification of urban population below poverty line. The SECC captures data on residential, occupational and social vulnerabilities of the households in urban areas.