

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION
LOK SABHA**

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GDP CALCULATION
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Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the current method of calculating gross domestic product in the country;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to change the method of calculation of GDP; and
- (c) if so, details thereof including the GDP during each of the last three years and the current year calculated by the new method?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION,
MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF OVERSEAS
INDIAN AFFAIRS [GENERAL (Dr.) V.K. SINGH (Retd.)]

- (a) In India, a mixed approach is used in calculation of the GDP. In cases where annual accounts are available, the income approach i.e. summing up factor incomes like Compensation of Employees, Operating Surplus and Consumption of Fixed Capital to obtain Gross Value Added is used. In most of the other cases production approach under which the Gross Value Added is derived as difference of Gross Value of Output and Intermediate Consumption is adopted. The complete methodology of compilation of National Accounts is documented in the form of the publication- National Accounts Statistics- Sources and Methods, 2012 which is available in the public domain.
- (b) No decision regarding change in methodology has been taken.
- (c) Does not arise.