

Title: Need to take adequate measures to mitigate the hardship being faced by people living below poverty line particularly in Punjab.

SHRI J.S. BRAR (FARIDKOT): Sir, the people of India who are living below the poverty line are suffering all over the country to make their both ends meet. On the one hand, the Public Distribution System is not working efficiently, and education and health services are disastrous in villages. People, especially, below the poverty line are not getting even pure water to drink. It has become very difficult to pay the electricity bills which are extremely high for the people who live below the poverty line. The power connections of poor people at some places are being disconnected.

I, therefore, request the Union Government to make concrete plans and take necessary measures to mitigate the hardship being faced by people living below poverty line particularly, in Punjab.