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Sl. No.	States/UT	2010-11	2011-12
28.	West Bengal	48536	55864
29.	Andaman and Nicobar Islan	nd 76883	82272
30.	Chandigarh	128634	N.A
31.	Delhi	150653	175812
32.	Puducherry	98719	95759
	All India Per Capita NNI	53331	60972

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Source: Central Statistics Office (CSO) as on 01.03.2012

Written Answers to

## Special Category Status to Bihar

3792. SHRI N.K. SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the demand of the Bihar State Government to provide 'Special Category Status' has been rejected by the Advisor to Prime Minister on Public Information Infrastructure and Innovations;
- (b) if so, on what grounds Advisor to Prime Minister on Public Information, Infrastructure and Innovations has rejected the demand of the Bihar Government;
- (c) whether the Union Government has suggested the Bihar Government to prepare roadmap for the development of Bihar; and
- (d) if so, the details of Special Assistance Union Government proposes to provide to Bihar for proper development?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY PLANNING (SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR): (a) No, Sir.

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) No. Sir.
- (d) Besides the Central Assistance under several Centrally Sponsored Schemes, the Union Government also provides assistance for Special Plan for Bihar under the State component of the Backward Regions Grant Fund. An amount of Rs. 8495.08 crore has been released for Special Plan for Bihar upto 31.03.2012.