

However, within the framework of cooperative federalism, specific schemes for development at village level are formulated by Central Ministries/Departments in the form of Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSSs), which are being implemented through State Governments.

Centre for support to women entrepreneurs

756. SHRI DHARMAPURI SRINIVAS:

DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU:

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that NITI Aayog is contemplating on setting up of a centre to focus on offering financial assistance and mentorship to women entrepreneurs; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (RAO INDERJIT SINGH): (a) and (b) It has been decided to set up a Women's Entrepreneurship Cell in NITI Aayog. The details are being worked out.

BPL people in Odisha

†757. SHRI RANJIB BISWAL: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of people who have been uplifted above poverty line in Odisha, district-wise;
- (b) whether there are such districts in that State where the number of BPL people has increased; and
- (c) if so, the number of such districts and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (RAO INDERJIT SINGH): (a) to (c) The official poverty estimates are based on data of Large Sample Surveys on Household Consumer Expenditure carried out by the National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) of the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation. The latest data of Large Sample Survey on Household Consumer Expenditure has been collected by NSSO in its 68th round conducted in 2011-12. The poverty estimates for 2011-12 have been computed following the extant Tendulkar methodology and these have been released through a Press Note issued on 22nd July 2013. The poverty estimates are available only State-wise. According to this Press Note, the number of persons living below poverty line

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