



Reforms/ initiatives by MoSPI to strengthen evidence-based policymaking and planning by enhancing the quality, frequency, timeliness, granularity and accessibility of official statistics

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National Sample Survey (NSS) under the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) is responsible for conducting large scale sample surveys on various socio-economic subjects across the country and give estimates of important indicators based on the Central sample data, both at the national level and the State/UT level.

MoSPI has undertaken several reforms/ initiatives to strengthen evidence-based policymaking and planning by enhancing the quality, frequency, timeliness, granularity and accessibility of official statistics for planning, monitoring and evaluation of development programmes. A major focus has been the modernization of National Sample Surveys through the adoption of digital platforms such as Computer Assisted Personal Interview (CAPI) integrated with e-SIGMA platform incorporating in-built validation checks, AI-enabled chatbots and multilingual interfaces. Additionally, sampling design of major surveys have been modified by adopting district as the basic stratum enabling states to generate district (including Moradabad) level estimates of key indicators for evidence-based policy-making.

MoSPI supports States/ UTs to enhance their capacity building through its Support for Statistical Strengthening (SSS) Sub-Scheme which aims to improve/ strengthen the statistical capacity and operations of the state statistical system for collecting, compiling and disseminating reliable official statistics.

This information was given by the Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation; Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Planning and Minister of State in the Ministry of Culture Rao Inderjit Singh in a written reply to a question in the Lok Sabha today.

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