

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION**

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2811
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.08.2026**

USE OF DATA ANALYTICS IN PUBLIC POLICY

2811. SHRI SANATAN PANDEY:

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

(a) whether the Government has examined the use of economic proxy indicators including consumption of construction materials for analysing trends in economic activity and public policy and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether such analytical tools are used for policy evaluation and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the institutions engaged in such research?

ANSWER

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)

(a) to (c): The Government uses a range of high-frequency economic indicators to monitor trends in economic activity. These include indicators relating to industrial production, electricity generation, GST collections, e-way bills, digital transactions, freight movement, petroleum consumption and the consumption of construction materials such as cement and steel, among others.

These indicators are also used, along with official statistics, for macroeconomic assessment and to support policy formulation and monitoring. Various Ministries and Departments of the Government, including the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) and NITI Aayog, as well as the Reserve Bank of India use these high-frequency economic indicators.

MoSPI has conducted a comprehensive Pilot Survey on Construction Activities in Unincorporated Sector Establishments and Households during July, 2025 to December, 2025, to assess share of consumption of input materials (bricks, cement, iron and steel, etc.) in total expenditure on material inputs. In addition, research institutions and academic organisations, also undertake studies/data analytics for economic analysis.

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