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QUANTIFICATION OF UNPAID WORK
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Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has initiated an exercise to quantify the unpaid work in the economy and prepare an alternative estimate of labour force in the country ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE), MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION [SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES]

(a) & (b) The Central Statistical Organisation (CSO) in the Ministry conducted a pilot Time Use Survey during 1998- 1999 in six states, namely, Haryana, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Orissa, Tamil Nadu and Meghalaya. As per the Report of the Time Use Survey, the percentage distribution of time spent on unpaid economic activities is given in the Annexure. There is no proposal to prepare an alternative estimate of labour force in the country.

ANNEXURE

Time spent on paid and unpaid activities

State-wise distribution of time spent (in hours) in SNA activities by mode of payment and sex

States	Male			Female			Total		
	Paid	Unpaid	% time on unpaid activities	Paid	Unpaid	% time on unpaid activities	Paid	Unpaid	% time on unpaid activities
Haryana	33.09 (1152)	18.12 (1347)	35.38	4.13 (215)	25.34 (1494)	85.99	20.06 (1367)	21.37 (2841)	51.58
Madhya-Pradesh	29.41 (5247)	23.34 (6311)	44.25	14.31 (3072)	15.75 (4391)	52.40	22.99 (8319)	20.12 (10702)	46.67
Gujarat	44.37 (3959)	14.17 (3897)	24.21	17.18 (1747)	13.87 (2541)	44.67	33.26 (5706)	14.05 (6438)	29.70
Orissa	31.25 (2103)	22.42 (2589)	41.77	8.00 (583)	18.18 (3235)	69.44	20.55 (2686)	20.47 (5824)	49.90
Tamil Nadu	41.42 (5633)	13.36 (4863)	24.39	21.48 (3034)	10.32 (4280)	32.45	32.74 (8667)	12.04 (9143)	26.89
Meghalaya	17.34 (374)	35.39 (740)	67.12	7.83 (196)	25.34 (692)	76.39	12.65 (570)	30.44 (1432)	70.64
Combined states	36.54 (18468)	18.12 (19747)	33.15	14.87 (8847)	15.18 (16633)	50.52	27.16 (27315)	16.85 (36380)	38.29

Note: Figure in parenthesis gives sample number of persons participating in the activity.

SNA ACTIVITIES: Primary Production Activities, Secondary Activities, Trade and Business activities