

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
FINANCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7189  
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PENSION SCHEME FOR UNORGANIZED SECTOR  
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**Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether a five member team is appointed by the Asian Development Bank to work out a pension scheme for the approximately 37 crore unorganized sector workers in India;
- (b) if so, whether the five member team has already submitted its report to the Government;
- (c) if so, the number of individuals covered by the survey;
- (d) the manner of considering the situation in urban and rural areas; and
- (e) the main recommendations of the group and action taken/likely to be taken by the Government thereon.

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM)

- (a) to (d): As part of a technical assistance agreement, the Asian Development Bank appointed a five member Project Team to, inter alia, conduct a national sample survey to study the income, expenditure and savings behaviour of the Indian labour force. The survey covered 40,862 earning members of the Indian labour force, in both urban and rural areas. The Project Team's report is yet to be finalized.
- (e) Does not arise in view of reply to (a) to (d) above.