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BPL POPULATION IN J & K
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Tenth Five Year Plan document has shown the steep decline in terms of percentage in BPL population in Jammu and Kashmir;
- (b) if so the details thereof;
- (c) whether the exponential growth rate of J&K has been less than some of the North East States for the past decade; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V.RAJASEKHARAN)

(a) & (b): No Sir, the Tenth Five Year Plan document does not indicate any decline in percentage of BPL population for Jammu and Kashmir, however, the document clearly specifies a monitorable target for reduction of percentage of BPL population at all India level by 5 percentage points by 2007.

(c) & (d): Based on the available data for J&K and North Eastern States in the Population Census 2001, the decadal growth rate (exponential) of population is given below in the table for the time period 1991-2001 for comparison.

Decadal Growth Rate of population , 1991-2001

Sl.No.	State / UT	Decadal Growth Rate (1991- 2001) Percent per annum
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1	Jammu & Kashmir	29.43
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North Eastern States

2	Arunachal Pradesh	27.00
3	Assam	18.92
4	Manipur	24.86
5	Meghalaya	30.65
6	Mizoram	28.82
7	Nagaland	64.53
8	Tripura	16.03