

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA**

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ECONOMIC ADVISORY COUNCIL
Rathod Shri Harisingh Nasaru

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Economic Advisory Council has recently met to chalk out strategies on taxation, inflation and employment guarantee schemes; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and outcome of the meeting?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council have met three times & discussions on various economic issues were held. The Council had a preliminary meeting with the Hon'ble Prime Minister regarding the functioning of the Council. Prime Minister has asked the Council to look into the Finances of the special category States in the North East and Jammu & Kashmir and to prepare a comprehensive report analyzing the problems with specific suggestions regarding improvement for consideration of the Prime Minister.

The Prime Minister has also referred to the Economic Advisory Council the report entitled `India FDI Initiative for examination and to come up with its suggestions for incorporation in Government policy.