

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2367

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Urban Population

Pathak Smt. Riti

**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the recent census findings showing the urban population going up by more than its rural population for the first time since 1921 points to a decade of rural distress; and

(b) if so, the details of population, rural and urban and State-wise including Madhya Pradesh?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS  
(SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)

(a) & (b): No Madam; the findings of Census 2011 do not show the urban population going up more than the rural population. The rural population increased by 9,11,31,105 while urban population increased by 9,09,86,436 during the decade 2001-2011. However, the decadal growth rate of urban population has always been higher than that of rural population since 1921.

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