

1	2	3	4	5
30.	Sikkim	62	7	69
31.	Tamil Nadu	1,690	461	2,151
32.	Tripura	71	2	73
33.	Uttar Pradesh	3,375	54	3,429
34.	Uttarakhand	553	32	585
35.	West Bengal	1,876	52	1,928
TOTAL		24,970	2,922	27,892

Population groups are defined as follows: 'Rural' includes centres with population of less than 10,000, 'Semi-Urban' includes centres with population of 10,000 and above but less than of one lakh, 'Urban' includes centres with population of one lakh and above but less than of ten lakhs, and 'Metropolitan' includes centres with population of 10 lakhs and above. All population figures are as per census 2001.

Source: Master Office File (MOF) System, Department of Statistics and Information Management, Reserve Bank of India, as on November 25, 2013. MOF data are dynamic in nature. It is updated based on information as received from banks.

Target for fiscal deficit

517. SHRI Y.S. CHOWDARY : Will the Minister of FINANCE pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had fixed any target for fiscal deficit for the last three years;

(b) if so, the details of target fixed/achieved during the last three years; and

(c) the details of target fixed and achieved till date for the current financial year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA) : (a) and (b) Government laid down the rolling target for fiscal indicators as percent of GDP in medium term fiscal policy statement brought out as part of the statements laid before parliament under the Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act, 2003. The details of fiscal deficit target fixed/achieved as percentage of GDP during the last three years are as follows:

Year	Target fixed (RE)	Target achieved
2010-11	5.1	4.8
2011-12	5.9	5.7
2012-13	5.2	4.9

(c) The fiscal deficit target fixed in BE 2013-14 was Rs. 5,42,499 crore (4.8% of GDP), against which fiscal deficit achieved upto October 2013 is Rs. 4,57,886 crore or 84.4% of BE.

Ghost beneficiaries of welfare schemes

518. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that ICICI Lombard India's largest Private Sector Insurance Company created ghost beneficiaries under various welfare schemes of the Textile Ministry, the Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY) and the Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme (WBCIS) of the Agriculture Ministry, by which this Private Insurance Company has manipulated loss of several crores of rupees to the Union Ministries through the use of fake utilization certificates; and

(b) what is the actual financial loss to the Union Government through such manipulations; company-wise, State-wise and District-wise, and measures undertaken to recover such losses and the amounts recovered District-wise and the remedial measures adopted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA) : (a) and (b) As per Ministry of Textiles, there is no established case of ghost beneficiaries under Handloom Weavers Comprehensive Welfare Scheme (Health Insurance Scheme). Further, Ministry of Agriculture has informed that based on a complaint regarding disbursement of insurance claims by ICICI Lombard, they had requested the State Government of Rajasthan and ICICI Lombard to enquire into the complaint and send a report to them. The State Government, got the physical verification of insurance beneficiaries done and informed that out of 8272 farmers, 5509 were found correct and 381 were found to have not insured their crops and 2181 farmers were not found at the time of physical verification.

The State Government, and ICICI Lombard have been directed by the Ministry of Agriculture to fix the responsibility of the persons for insuring 381 farmers who