

# Discussant Presentation

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**Table 1 :  
Annual growth rate of GDP at 1999-2000 base**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Percentage change over previous year</b>
2005-06	9.52
2006-07	9.75
2007-08	9.01
2008-09	6.7

**Table 2**  
**Per Capita Income at constant prices (1999-2000)**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Per Capita Income (Rupees)</b>
2005-06	20,868
2006-07	22,580
2007-08	24,295

**Table 3: Impact of Economic Slowdown on Employment /Unemployment**

Sl. No.	Industry/group	Estimated Job loss/gain in lakh during				Net loss/ gain in lakh during last one year {Col 3+Col4+ Col 5 + Col 6}
		Dec 08 over Sep 08	Mar 09 over Dec 08	Jun 09 over Mar 09	Sep 09 over Jun 09	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1.	Mining	-0.11	-	-	-	-0.11
2.	Textiles	-1.72	2.08	-1.54	3.18	1.99
3.	Leather	-	-0.33	0.07	-0.08	-0.34
4.	Metals	-1.06	-0.29	-0.01	0.65	-0.71
5.	Automobiles	-0.83	0.02	0.23	0.24	-0.34
6.	Gems& jewellery	-0.99	0.33	-0.2	0.58	-0.28
7.	Transport	-0.96	-0.04	-0.01	0.00	-1.01
8.	IT/BPO	0.76	0.92	-0.34	0.26	1.60
9.	Handloom/ Power loom	-	0.07	0.49	0.15	0.71
<b>Total</b>		<b>-4.91</b>	<b>2.76</b>	<b>-1.31</b>	<b>4.97</b>	<b>1.51</b>

## *Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana*

meaning **National health insurance scheme**

- The ***RSBY*** scheme was launched on October 1, 2007
- workers in the unorganized sector belonging to Below Poverty Line (BPL) category and their families will be covered for health care.
- Till May 6, 2009, 22 states and Union Territories have initiated the process to implement the scheme.
- Out of these 22 states and Union Territories, 17 states have started issuing smart cards and more than 41.8 lakh cards have been issued in these states taking the health insurance cover to more than 2.09 crore persons.
- Nagaland is the first state in the Northeastern region to issue smart cards. Remaining states except Arunachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh are also in the process of implementation of the scheme.

## Aam Admi Bima Yojana (AABY) (meaning Insurance Scheme for Ordinary People)

- This scheme launched on October 2, 2007
- Provides insurance to the head of the family of rural landless households in the country against natural death as well as accidental death and partial/permanent disability.
- Up to December 31, 2008 the scheme has provided an insurance cover to 60.32 lakh rural landless household heads.

# Swarnajayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana (SGSY)

- *SGSY* was launched in April 1999 after restructuring of the Integrated Rural Development Programme and allied programmes.
- It is the only self-employment programme currently being implemented for the rural poor.
- The objective of the scheme is to bring these assisted self employed rural poor above the poverty line by providing them income generating assets through bank credit and Government subsidy.
- The scheme is being implemented on cost sharing basis of 75:25 between the Centre and States. Up to March 2009, 34 lakh self-help groups (SHGs) had been formed and 120.89 lakh self employed rural poor have been assisted with a total outlay of Rs. 27,183.03 crore.

# Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY)

- In December 1997, the Urban Self-Employment Programme and the Urban Wage Employment Programme which are the two special components of **SJSRY**, substituted for various programmes operated earlier for urban poverty alleviation.
- The fund allocation for the scheme was Rs. 515 crore during 2008-09 and Rs. 540.67 crore has been released up to March 31, 2009.
- With regard to the number of beneficiaries during 2008-09, 9,47,390 urban poor were assisted to set up individual/group micro enterprises and 14,84,209 urban poor were imparted skill training under SJSRY as per the progress reports received up to the end of March 31, 2009.

# National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (NREGS)

- NREGS in pursuance of the passing of the NREG Act was launched on February 2, 2006.
- It extended to 200 most backward districts in the first phase, and later in the 2nd phase expanded to 330 districts during 2007-08.
- The remaining 266 districts were notified.
- The scheme has now been extended to all the districts of the country. More than 4.47 crore households were provided employment in 2008-09. This is a significant jump over the 3.39 crore households covered under the scheme during 2007-08.