



Telangana Tops India in Per Capita Income

Telangana has emerged as the state with the **highest per capita income (PCI)** in India for **2024-25**, surpassing **Karnataka** and **Haryana**, marking its first top position in five years.

Key Points

- **Per Capita NSDP:** Telangana's per capita **Net State Domestic Product (NSDP)** stands at **₹3.87 lakh**, ahead of **Karnataka (₹3.8 lakh)** and **Haryana (₹3.5 lakh)**.
- **Consistent Growth:** The state has maintained an average **growth rate of over 10%** in per capita income over the past decade, with nearly **12% growth** in the last two years despite nationwide slowdowns.
- **Agricultural Backbone:** **Commercial crops** like **cotton** and **horticulture** are credited as the backbone of **rural economic growth**, driving market activity and contributing significantly to **NSDP**.
- **Decadal Transformation:** **Per capita income** has more than **tripled in a decade** (from under **₹1 lakh** to over **₹3.8 lakh**), while overall **NSDP** rose from **₹13.47 lakh (2023-24)** to **₹14.87 lakh (2024-25)**.
- **Diversified Growth:** The state's success is attributed to a combination of **agricultural strength, industrial expansion, and service sector growth**, making it a dynamic **economic benchmark**.

Net State Domestic Product

- **Definition:** NSDP measures the **total value of goods and services** produced within a state **after deducting depreciation of capital assets**.
- **Formula:** **NSDP = Gross State Domestic Product - Depreciation**.
- **Significance:** Unlike **GSDP**, NSDP reflects a **clearer picture of sustainable economic output** and the **financial well-being of people** in a state.