



# Multidimensional Poverty Index: Uttar Pradesh Third Poorest State

## Why in News

Recently, the [Multidimensional Poverty Index](#) has been released by NITI Aayog, in which Uttar Pradesh ranks third in terms of highest poverty.

## Key Points

- **37.79 percent of the population of Uttar Pradesh is poor**, which is the highest in the country after Bihar and Jharkhand.
- **Uttar Pradesh's 44.47 percent population is malnourished**, while Sikkim is the least malnourished state in the country.
- **Shravasti is the poorest district of Uttar Pradesh**, where 74.38 percent of the population is poor. While Bahraich (71.88 percent), Balrampur (69.45), Lakhimpur Kheri (59.95 percent) and Gonda (59.26 percent) are the poorest districts of the state.
- **Lucknow is the least poor district in the state**, with only 12.16 percent of its population being poor.
- According to the report, the least poor districts of the state are - (1) Lucknow (12.16 percent), (2) Kanpur Nagar (14.34 percent), (3) Gautam Budh Nagar (17.08 percent), (4) Ghaziabad (17.47 percent) and (5) Jhansi (20.27 percent).
- Uttar Pradesh has got a score of 0.18 in the Multidimensional Poverty Index, in which rural MPI score is 0.21 and urban MPI score is 0.085 percent.

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