

2. Educational attainments,
3. Standard of living, measured by real GDP per capita (PPP\$).

Before calculating HDI, the fixed minimum and maximum values of each indicator are chosen.

The performance in each dimension is expressed as a value between 0 and 1 by applying the following formula

Dimension Index = (Actual value – Minimum value) / (Maximum value – Minimum value)

According to Planning Commission's National Human Development Report 2011, HDI has improved significantly between 1980 and 2011. That is, The HDI went up from 0.302 in 1981 to 0.472 score in 2011.

As per latest Human Development Report (2016) by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), India has been ranked 131st out of 188 countries. Out of 188 countries, India lies in Medium Human

Development bracket. The other nations such as Bangladesh, Bhutan, Pakistan, Kenya, Myanmar and Nepal attained the medium human development. The HDR 2016 stated that regional disparities in education, health and living standards within India has caused India's downfall to 27 % on HDI score. India's HDI rank value in 2015 stood at 0.624, which had increased from 0.580 in 2010. India's rank in 2014 was 131.

Top three countries of HDI

Norway (0.949)

Australia (0.939)

Switzerland (0.939)

Biswajeet Guha has stated that the calculation of HDI neglected many important aspects of human development. He has created four indices of HDI as HDI₁, HDI₂, HDI₃, and HDI₄. HDI₁ is based on UNDP methodology as given in Human

