Global Living Wage Series
India

Tiruppur, Tamil Nadu, India

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Living Wage Estimated using the Anker Methodology, August 2016

UPDATE of Monthly Living Wage Estimate for April 2018
Rs. 14,670
US$ 224
(April 2018)

Housing
Rs. 4,788
US$ 72

Food
Rs. 7,792
US$ 117

Non-Food, Non-Housing
Rs. 5,353
US$ 80

Local Housing Standard for Family
- Walls and floor made of brick or cement
- Roof made of concrete or red tiles
- Piped water in house or in close proximity
- Electricity
- House is well ventilated
- Separate kitchen area in house and not shared
- Toilet facility (flush toilet or pit toilet with slab)
- within house or in close proximity of house
- House has a “carpeted” floor size of at least of 388 ft² (36m²) of living space

Model Diet grams per person per day
- 331g rice
- 40g wheat (atta)
- 22g potato
- 56g pulse (28g tur dal, 28g urad dal)
- 180g milk (1 cup for children, 1/2 cup cup for adults)
- 44g eggs (1 egg per day)
- 20g fish (1 fish for the family per week)
- 15g chicken (1 portion per week broiler chicken)
- 216g vegetables (54g spinach, 54g eggplant, 54g tomato, 54g onion)
- 20g coconut
- 54g fruits (banana)
- 26g oil (2 tbsp.)
- 25g sugar (7 tsp.)
- 2g tea (2 cups for adults)

Provision for Unexpected Events
Rs. 997
US$ 13

Mandatory Deductions from Pay
Rs. 1,807
US$ 27

Monthly Living Wage
Rs. 13,725
US$ 205
per worker with a family of 1.88 full-time workers
Context Provided for Tiruppur Garment and Textile Sector

COST OF FOOD

COST OF HOUSING

NET LIVING WAGE

COST OF BASIC BUT DECENT LIFE FOR REFERENCE SIZE FAMILY

PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS AND TAXES

COST OF OTHER ESSENTIAL NEEDS

SMALL MARGIN FOR UNFORESEEN EVENTS

NUMBER OF WORKERS PER FAMILY

GROSS LIVING WAGE

NET LIVING WAGE

Key Values and Assumptions

- 48 Hour Work Week
- 26 Work Days Per Month
- Exchange Rate US $1 = Rs. 66.88
- Family Size of 4
- 2 Adults, 2 Children
- 1.58 Workers Per Family

Total Monthly Living Wage = ((Food + Housing + Non-Food, Non-Housing + Provision for Unexpected Events) ÷ Number of full-time Workers in Family) + Mandatory Deductions from Pay

Monthly Living Wage for Tiruppur in Rs.

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