

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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HOUSING SCHEMES
VISHNU DATT

Will the Minister of URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government have proposed to introduce the development of housing sector in the Urban areas;
- (b) the allocation of funds made for this purpose; and
- (c) the number of persons likely to be benefited therefrom?

Answer

MINISTER OF URBAN EMPLOYMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH DHINDSA)

(a): Yes, Sir. The National Housing & Habitat policy of 1998 has envisaged government's role as an enabler and also creation of an enabling environment by removing the legal, regulatory technical and financial constraints facing the housing sector. Government has already provided fiscal concessions towards encouraging investment in the housing sector.

(b)&(c): Housing is a state subject and various housing schemes are formulated and implemented by State Governments through their plan allocation supplemented by loans from other agencies. There is no Central Scheme or direct allocation of Central funds for this programme.