GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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ENHANCEMENT OF FUNDS UNDER IAY
MD ANWARUL HAQUE:RAMSHETH THAKUR

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to enhance the present allocation of funds for IAY housing;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government have noticed that the present allocation of Rs. Twenty thousand per IAY house is not sufficient;
- (d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken in this regard;
- (e) whether the Government have launched or proposed to launch any specific scheme for the improvement of housing system in the rural sector; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUBHASH MAHARIA)

- (a) & (b): The allocation of funds for IAY housing for the current financial year i.e., 2000-2001 has been enhanced to Rs. 1613.69 crores which is Rs. 13.69 crores more than the allocation of Rs.1600 crores for the year 1999-2000. The State-wise allocation of funds for the year 2000-2001 is Annexed.
- (c) & (d): Assistance ceiling under Indira Awaas Yojana is Rs.20,000/- and Rs.22,000/- for plain and hilly/difficult areas respectively which is considered adequate for the time being. States are by and large satisfied with the level of assistance being provided.
- (e) & (f): The Government has prepared a detailed Action Plan and launched a number of new initiatives for the improvement of housing system in the rural sector. These include Credit-Cum-subsidy Scheme; Innovative Stream for Rural Housing and Habitat Development; Rural Building Centres; Samagra Awaas Yojana and Pradhan Mantri Gramodaya Yojana Gramin Awaas.While the Pradhan Mantri Gramodaya Yojana Gramin Awaas has been launched in 2000-2001, the remaining Schemes went into operation in 1999-2000.