GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4053 ANSWERED ON:20.12.2005 . NAMAK MAZDOOR AWAS YOJANA Adhalrao Patil Shri Shivaji;Adsul Shri Anandrao Vithoba

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has formulated Namak Mazdoor Awas Yojana for construction of houses for salt workers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the share of cost borne by the Central Government;
- (d) the funds earmarked by the Union Government for the said scheme during the Tenth Five Year Plan; and
- (e) the amount released alongwith houses constructed so far, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRIE.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. The Government have formulated a Central Sector Scheme called Namak Mazdoor Awas Yojana for providing 5000 Dwelling Units to the salt labourers in the salt producing States namely, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Rajasthan and Orissa with an outlay of Rs.24.75 Crore during the 10th Five Year Plan. The scheme commenced in the year 2003-04.

The scheme seeks to improve the living conditions of salt workers by providing dwelling units near the work place. The plinth area of each Dwelling Units is approx. 22.2 Sq.Mt., which includes one room, one kitchen, varandah and toilet.

The estimated cost of each dwelling unit, (including infrastructure facilities) shall be approximately Rs.50,000/-. 90% of the cost of the dwelling unit shall be borne by the Central Government. Remaining 10% shall be borne by the State Government/ beneficiaries/other stake-holders.

- (d): The Plan allocation for the Scheme during 10th Five Year Plan is Rs.22.50 crore.
- (e): By November, 2005, approx. Rs.5.60 Crore have been released under Namak Mazdoor Awas Yojana. The statement showing state-wise break-up of funds released and houses constructed under the Scheme are given in Annexure.

Annexure

Statement referred to in reply to part (e) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4053 to be answered on 20.12.2005 showing statewise break-up of funds released and houses constructed under Namak Mazdoor Awas Yojana

Funds released

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S.No. State Amount released (Rs. in crore)

1. Gujarat 2.94
2. Rajasthan 0.57
3. Tamil Nadu 0.66
4. Andhra Pradesh 1.01
5. Orissa 0.42
Total 5.60
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Houses constructed

State Number of houses constructed as on 7.12.2005

Gujarat 287 Andhra Pradesh 97 Rajasthan 35 Tamil Nadu Orissa Total 419