

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:152  
ANSWERED ON:01.12.2006  
SHORTAGE OF DWELLING UNITS  
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**Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) Whether the Government has made any assessment regarding shortage of housing units in urban areas at the end of the Ninth Five Year Plan ;
- (b) If so, the details thereof ;
- (c) The number of houses constructed/proposed to be constructed during the Tenth Five Year Plan period in the public and private sector separately ;
- (d) The projected shortage of dwelling units by the end of the Tenth Five Year Plan ; and
- (e) The future strategy being evolved in this regard to overcome the problem ?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA)

(a)to(e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha

STATEMENT

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 152 FOR 1.12.2006 regarding `SHORTAGE OF DWELLING UNITS`.

(a)&(b): As per the Tenth Plan document, the housing shortage in urban area at the end of Ninth Plan and the beginning of the Tenth Plan was 8.89 million. The total number of houses required cumulatively during the Tenth Plan Period was assessed at 22.44 million.

(c) : No separate estimation for construction of houses by the Private / Public Sector has been made for the Tenth Plan Period. However, details of achievements during the Period 2002-03 to 2005-06 by various Housing Finance Institutions and under various schemes are given at Annexure.

(d) : As per the preliminary estimation by the Technical Group, constituted by the Ministry to assess the Housing Shortage in urban areas in the context of formulation of 11th Plan Document, the shortage of houses at the beginning of 11th Five Year Plan

(i.e. 2007) is 24.71 million in urban areas.

(e) : Government of India has launched the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) in December, 2005 to cope with the problem in a mission mode for 63 select cities. Under `Basic Services to Urban Poor`, a sub-mission of JNNURM, provision of improved housing with security of tenure at affordable prices is aimed for urban poor.

For remaining cities not covered under mission, a n omnibus scheme namely `Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme` (IHSDP) has been launched alongwith JNNURM. The component of assistance under the scheme would include upgradation/new construction of houses and infrastructural facilities like water supply and sewerage as part of slum improvement.

A revised National Urban Housing & Habitat policy with a view to accelerate the pace of development of housing and related infrastructure and creation of affordable housing stock especially for the urban poor is under consideration.