

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

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

- (a) whether a conference was organised by the Government in collaboration with UN Habitat to deliberate upon the issues of pro-poor urban governance and planning, slum upgradation and financing sustainable urbanisation in Delhi recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the issues discussed and the decisions taken thereon; and
- (c) the steps being taken to implement the decision?

**Answer**

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

(a)to(c): The Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation is organizing the first ever Asia-Pacific Ministerial Conference on Housing & Human Settlements in New Delhi, in collaboration with UN Habitat from 13th to 16th December, 2006 at Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi. It aims at addressing the challenges of Urbanization, Housing and Habitat Management, Millenium Development Goals, Urban Poverty and Slum Development and to develop strategies and policies for integrated development in which land and housing are key components. The goal of this Conference is to share and exchange knowledge on land and housing and national and city strategies for poverty alleviation.