

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:1
ANSWERED ON:13.02.2009
SHORTAGE OF HOUSES
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Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any study to ascertain the shortage of houses particularly in the lower and middle categories in the country keeping in view the existing demand and supply situation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has formulated any action plan in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

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

STATEMENT

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.1 FOR 13.2.2009 REGARDING SHORTAGE OF HOUSES.

(a)&(b): According to the estimates made by the Technical Group constituted by the Ministry for assessment of the urban housing shortage at the end of the 10th Five Year Plan, the total housing shortage in the country is 24.71 million. Details of State/UT-wise shortage are given at Annexure.

(c)&(d): As per the Constitution of India, the subjects `land` and `colonization` have been allocated to the States and thus it is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments to deal with the problem of housing needs in the urban areas. However, the Central Government has been taking several initiatives recently.

The National Urban Housing and Habitat Policy (NUHHP), 2007 has been formulated with the aim of promoting sustainable development of habitats to ensure equitable supply of land shelter and services at affordable prices to all sections of the society.

The Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) has been launched by the Government for provision of housing and basic services to urban poor in 63 specified cities under the sub-mission of Basic Services to the Urban Poor (BSUP) and in other cities and towns under Integrated Housing & Slum Development Programme (IHSDP) by holistic slum development.

A new scheme of Interest Subsidy Scheme for Housing the Urban Poor (ISHUP) has been approved, to provide interest subsidy of 5% on home loans upto Rs.1 lakh availed by Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and Low Income Group (LIG) in order to draw institutional finance into social housing and bring home loans within repaying capacity of these groups.

ANNEXURE

HOUSING SHORTAGE AS ON 2007

STATE/UTS HOUSING SHORTAGE
(Dwelling units in million)

Andhra Pradesh	1.95
Arunachal Pradesh	0.02
Assam	0.31

Bihar	0.59
Chhatisgarh	0.36
Goa	0.07
Gujarat	1.66
Haryana	0.52
Himachal Pradesh	0.06
Jammu & Kashmir	0.18
Jharkhand	0.47
Karnataka	1.63
Kerala	0.76
Madhya Pradesh	1.29
Maharashtra	3.72
Manipur	0.05
Meghalaya	0.04
Mizoram	0.04
Nagaland	0.03
Orissa	0.50
Punjab	0.69
Rajasthan	1.00
Sikkim	0.01
Tamil Nadu	2.82
Tripura	0.06
Uttaranchal	0.18
Uttar Pradesh	2.38
West Bengal	2.04
A&N Islands	0.01
Chandigarh	0.08
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0.01
Daman & Diu	0.01
Delhi	1.13
Lakshadweep	0.00
Pondicherry	0.06
All India	24.71