

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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CONSTRUCTION OF HOUSES

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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government has received proposals for the construction of houses with the financial assistance of World Bank and for the setting up of centres for exhibition of tribal folk art, culture and artefacts; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Union Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (DR. TUSHAR A. CHAUDHARY)

(a) & (b): As informed by the Ministry of Finance, the National Housing Bank (NHB) through the International Development Association (IDA) support seeks among other things, to activate and catalyse the financial sector institutions to reach affordable housing credit to the vast low income households. Assistance from the World Bank under the International Development Association/International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) window has been sought by NHB for implementing the programme of providing low income housing in the country. A long term loan of up to US \$ 500 million on concessional terms through suitable component of IDA assistance has been requested for the Programme. The proposal has been recommended to the World Bank on 10.12.2009. This Ministry has no information about setting up of exhibition centres with World Bank assistance.