GOVERNMENT OF INDIA URBAN DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3328 ANSWERED ON:13.08.2010 CONVERSION OF FLATS/PLOTS TO FREEHOLD BY DDA Chauhan Shri Sanjay Singh;Shekhar Shri Neeraj

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the procedure alongwith the prescribed time period for conversion of flats/plots from the leasehold to freehold by the Delhi Development Authority;

(b) the details of applications received by the DDA for conversion of flats/plots from leasehold to freehold during the last one year and as on the date alongwith the present status thereof, area-wise;

(c) the details of the applications pending for conversion after the prescribed time period is over alongwith the reasons therefore, area-wise;

(d) the time by which the pending applications are likely to be disposed of;

(e) whether there is rampant corruption, menace of touts and indifferent attitude of DDA officials for conversion of flats/plots to freehold; and

(f) if so, the number of such cases reported and the action taken /to be taken against the officials found guilty?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN EVELOPMENT(SHRI SAUGATA ROY)

(a): The allottee/applicant is required to submit an application alongwith necessary documents for conversion of flat from leasehold to freehold. For the convenience of public, a brochure containing the procedure and details of the documents to be filed alongwith application has been got printed and is made available for sale at Vikas Sadan, INA Colony, New Delhi on payment of Rs. 50/-. The applications are received and an acknowledgement containing the list of all the documents, which are enclosed by the applicant, is given to the applicant. The prescribed time period for conversion of flat from leasehold to freehold by Delhi Development Authority (DDA) is 90 days.

(b): The details of applications received by DDA for conversion of flats from leasehold to freehold during the last one year as reported by DDA are given below:-

Zone Number of Number of Number of Number of total applications applications applications applications disposed pending as pending more received of on 01.08.2010 than 90 days

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(c): The total number of applications pending after the prescribed time period is 279. The reasons for pendency reported by DDA include discrepancy in documentation, incomplete documentation, court cases, family disputes, non-payment of dues, title disputes, encroachment on Government land, etc.

(d) A precise time frame for disposal of the pending applications cannot be indicated in view of the reasons for pendency mentioned at answer (c) above.

(e) & (f): DDA has not reported rampant corruption, menace of touts and indifferent attitude of DDA officials for conversion of flats/plots. However, in order to check corruption in the Delhi Development Authority (DDA), a three pronged strategy viz. preventive, surveillance & detection and deterrent punitive action is followed. The review of anti-corruption machinery is conducted from time to time. Corruption cases are dealt with firmly. Criminal cases and disciplinary proceedings are instituted wherever found necessary. A number of measures have also been taken for improving transparency in functioning, preventing corruption and reducing scope for irregularities or corruption in DDA.