

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5351
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LOW COST HOUSES UNDER IAY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering special insurance cover for houses constructed under Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is considering the use of alternative construction material like fly-ash bricks to bring down the cost of rural housing projects; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof;

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI PRADEEP JAIN 'ADITYA')

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c)&(d): Under Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) guidelines, the construction of a house is left to the beneficiary who has full freedom in the choice of the construction material, design etc. The District Rural Development Agencies/State Governments may make information on innovative cost-effective and environmental friendly technologies, materials, designs etc. available to the beneficiaries for their guidance.