

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

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RAJIV AWAS YOJANA

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

- (a) whether the Government has constituted an expert committee for the houses to be constructed under Rajiv Awas Yojana;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the funds allocated and spent on this scheme during each of the last three years?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): The Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation had constituted an expert Committee under the Chairpersonship of Sh. Deepak Parekh to critically appraise draft guidelines of the proposed scheme of Rajiv Awas Yojana (RAY).The Committee submitted its report on 26th April, 2010. The salient features of the Committee report include the : endorsement of the 'Whole City & Whole Slum' approach proposed under RAY, emphasis on community participation, focus on rental housing including transit housing, credit enablement for the urban poor, professionalism in project appraisal process & need for review of urban land policies etc.

(c): In pursuance of the Government's announcement of a vision of Slum free India and Central support to States that are willing to assign property rights to slum-dwellers under a new Scheme called Rajiv Awas Yojana, the Government has launched the preparatory phase of Rajiv Awas Yojana i.e. Slum free City Planning Scheme during 2009-10. Under this scheme an amount of Rs 60 crores has been released during 2009-2010 to 20 States for undertaking slum survey, GIS mapping of slums, developing slum information system, GIS-MIS integration and preparation of Slum-free City/State Slum-free Plans etc. No funds have been released under Rajiv Awas Yojana, as the scheme has not been launched.