GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the break-up of houses allotted to the women, weaker sections and minorities under Indira Awas Yojana(IAY) during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(b) the mechanism in place to monitor the quality of construction carried out under the Scheme;

(c) whether incidence of deficient quality of works have been reported;

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(e) the corrective measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a): A statement showing the State-wise number of houses allotted in the name of women, to weaker sections (SCs/STs) and Minorities under Indira Awaas Yojana during the last three years is at Annexure.

(b) to (d): As per IAY guidelines, houses are to be constructed by the beneficiary himself/herself by using locally available material to the extent possible. Further, the guidelines provide that the houses constructed under IAY should be of permanent nature. The States are advised from time to time to ensure that good quality houses are constructed under IAY. The State Governments monitor the construction through their own field machinery. During the period June-Sept, 2009, National Level Monitors (NLMs) were deputed for sample survey for independent assessment of rural development programmes, who visited 2387 villages in 249 districts of 27 States. In the Survey, only 2.16% of the houses surveyed were found to be poor as per State-wise break-up given in Annexure-II.

(e): National Institute of Rural Development (NIRD), Hyderabad organizes programmes to train the field officials of the State Governments. IIT Delhi has been requested to develop a Knowledge-Network for IAY which will facilitate exchange of information among stakeholders. Central Building Research Institute, Roorkee has also been entrusted the job to compile and develop different designs for IAY houses suitable for different regions in the country.