## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA URBAN DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:354 ANSWERED ON:02.08.2011 URBAN REFORM PROGRAMME Meghwal Shri Bharat Ram

## Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the second installment of additional central assistance are not being released by the Union Government owing to lacunae in the implementation of the urban reform programme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government proposes to implement the urban reform programme in consultation with the State Governments by adopting practical approach after reviewing the above said programme in view of difficulties experienced therein by the States; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

## **Answer**

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

- (a) & (b): Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) is a reform linked Scheme for provisioning of urban infrastructure and services in urban centres. In this, the second and subsequent instalment of Additional Central Assistance (ACA) is released for projects subject to utilisation of 70% of grants and achievement of reforms according to the timelines agreed to by the States and Local Bodies.
- (c) & (d): Implementation of urban reforms is a continuous exercise. Its achievement is being reviewed regularly and based on difficulties expressed by the State, the Government is constantly helping the state Governments/ urban local bodies by building up its capacities and providing hand holding.