GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1609 ANSWERED ON:09.08.2011 BUDGET HOUSES FOR URBAN POOR Pradhan Shri Amarnath

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

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to construct budget/affordable houses in the urban areas of the country with all modern amenities like water supply, electricity, toilet and kitchen for the urban poor people;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (c) the funds allocated for the purpose during 2011-2012?

Answer

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

(a) and (b): The Government launched the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) on December 3, 2005 to assist States/Union Territories to take up housing and related infrastructure projects for the urban poor / slum dwellers. Under the Sub-Mission Basic Services to the Urban Poor (BSUP), Additional Central Assistance (ACA) is provided to 65 select cities of national importance for undertaking affordable housing and basic amenities viz. security of tenure at affordable prices, improved housing, water supply, sanitation and ensuring delivery through convergence of other already existing universal services of the Government for education, health and social security to the urban poor. Similar facilities are also provided in other cities/ towns under the Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (IHSDP). State-wise details of projects sanctioned under BSUP and IHSDP are at Annexure-I and Annexure-II respectively.

As a part of policy initiative under JNNURM, the Government launched a scheme of Affordable Housing in Partnership (AHP) as a part of BSUP with an outlay of Rs. 5000 crores for construction of 1 million houses for Economically Weaker Sections (EWS)/Lower Income Group (LIG)/Medium Income Group (MIG)with atleast 25% for EWS category across the country. A total of 14 projects have so far been approved with a total project cost of Rs. 792.04 crores for construction of 19,100 dwelling units. State-wise details are at Annexure-III.

In pursuance of the Government vision of creating Slum-free India, a new scheme of Rajiv Awas Yojana (RAY) has been launched on June 2, 2011. The scheme aims at providing Central support to States that are willing to assign property rights to slum-dwellers. AHP has now been dovetailed into Rajiv Awas Yojana (RAY).

(c): Rs3932.80 Crore (Rs. 2932.60 crore under BSUP and Rs. 1000.20 crore under IHSDP) have been budgeted for the year 2011-12. A sum of Rs. 1000 crore has been allocated for 2011-12 under RAY.