## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1832 ANSWERED ON:01.12.2011 HOUSES ALLOTTED UNDER IAY

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

- (a) the total number of houses allotted to women, scheduled caste/tribe persons and the minorities under the Indira Awas Yojana (IAY) during the last two years and the current year, category-wise and State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to allot more houses to eligible persons under IAY;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether any committee has been constituted to monitor the scheme;
- (e) if so, the recommendation made by the committee; and
- (f) the steps taken by the government to implement the scheme effectively and remove the hurdles being faced by the various States?

## **Answer**

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

- (a): A Statement showing the State-wise, number of houses sanctioned/allotted to women, scheduled caste/ scheduled tribe and the minorities people under the Indira Awas Yojana (IAY) during the last two years and the current year is at annexure-I.
- (b) & (c): The Government is making efforts to reduce the housing shortage in the rural areas of the country as quickly as possible. Annual physically targets are fixed on year to year basis depending on Central Budget outlay provided for Rural Housing which has been increasing consistently over the years.
- (d) & (e): The IAY scheme is closely monitored through various mechanisms such as Monthly and Annual Progress Reports, Utilization certificate, Audit Reports, Monthly and quarterly review meetings and through field visits by the Area Officers. National Level Monitors (NLMs) are appointed and deputed for independent inquiry and monitoring of the scheme. During the period June-Sept, 2009, NLMs were deputed for independent assessment of rural development programmes, who visited 2387 villages in 249 districts of 27 States. Major findings of these NLMs in respect of IAY are at Annexure-II.
- (f): Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) is a very popular Scheme of the Central Government and is being implemented in all the States very effectively, especially as IAY is a full subsidy scheme and houses are constructed by the beneficiaries themselves. However, in some States, there is shortage of skilled manpower, material and technical supervision. The State Governments have been advised to take necessary action to address these