

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

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MUNICIPALITIES UNDER HUPA  
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**Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to takeover all municipalities under Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation Scheme during the 12th Five Year Plan;
- (b) if so, the number of municipalities proposed to be included so far, State-wise including Bihar; and
- (c) the manner in which financial assistance would be provided to them and types of projects covered under this scheme?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): No specific plan has been made to cover all municipalities under Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation Scheme during the 12th Five Year Plan. However, under the Basic Services to the Urban Poor (BSUP) and Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (IHSDP) – components of the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM), 1517 projects approved for construction/upgradation of 15.71 lakh dwelling units across 947 cities/towns will spill over to the 12th Five Year Plan.

Further, in pursuance of the Government's vision of creating a Slum-free India, a new scheme 'Rajiv Awas Yojana' (RAY) has been launched on 02.06.2011. Under the scheme financial assistance is provided to the States that are willing to assign property rights to slum dwellers. The scheme is expected to cover 250 cities/towns. The selection of the cities is to be done in consultation with the Centre. The States would be required to include all the mission cities of JNNURM, preferably cities with more than 3 lakh population as per 2001 Census; and other smaller cities, with due consideration to the pace of growth of the city, of slums, predominance of minority population, and areas where property rights are assigned.

(c): Details of the manner in which financial assistance is to be provided to the States/UTs/ULBs and the types of projects to be covered under RAY are annexed.