

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

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REHABILITATION OF POOR FAMILIES

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

(a) the scheme/projects implemented to rehabilitate poor families living in urban areas nearby railway stations and tracks in the country including Gujarat;

(b) whether any communication from the Ministry of Railways has been received in this regard;

(c) if so, the details and the present status thereof alongwith the action taken by the Government thereon; and

(d) the extend to which the schemes like Rajiv Awas Yojana, Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission, Interest Subsidy Scheme for Housing the Urban Poor etc. are helpful in providing dwelling units to such poor people?

Answer

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

(a): This Ministry is implementing the Basic Services to the Urban Poor and Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme under Jawaharlal Nehru Urban Renewal Mission which focus on basic services to the urban poor and integrated development of slums. Under these programmes, the selection of the projects is done by the States/UTs and resettlement of slums near the railway tracks can also be taken up.

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.

The Phase I of RAY is for a period of two years from the date of approval of the scheme with an outlay of Rs. 5,000 crores. Under this Scheme, financial assistance will be provided to States that are willing to assign property rights to slum dwellers for provision of decent shelter and basic civic and social services for slum redevelopment, and for creation of affordable housing stock. The scheme emphasizes a 'whole city' 'all slums' 'whole slum' approach. In respect of Central Government land including Railways land, it is expected that the agencies concerned will work in cooperation with the State Governments / Urban Local Body, and design suitable solutions to redevelop /relocate the slums.

(b): No project proposal has been received from the Ministry of Railways with regard to slum rehabilitation projects in Gujarat.

(c): Does not arise.

(d): Under BSUP and IHSDP, 1524 Projects with the total project cost of Rs. 40217.02 Crores and Central share (ACA) of Rs. 21,836.16 Crores has been approved for construction of 1.57 million dwelling units across the country.

Under the Interest Subsidy Scheme for Housing the Urban Poor (ISHUP), 9910 beneficiaries have availed benefits and a subsidy of Rs.8.8 Crore has been released during the last 3 years.

Under RAY, 8 Pilot Projects with a total project cost of Rs. 446.22 Crores have been approved.