

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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PRIORITY LIST UNDER IAY  
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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has prepared any priority list of landless rural families living below poverty line for allotment of houses under Indira Awaas Yojana;
- (b) if so, the number of such families identified so far, State-wise; and
- (c) the number of houses allotted to them so far, State-wise?

**Answer**

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

(a)to(c): All States/UTs were requested in November, 2005 to prepare Permanent IAY Waitlists-one for SC/ST and the other for non-SC/STs by each Gram Sabha for allotment of houses under Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY). These lists were to be prepared based on the BPL List 2002 in order of ranking in the list, the poorest of the poor being on the top. As per the information furnished by the States, only 20 State states/UTs have prepared the Permanent IAY Waitlists. The remaining 13 States/UTs are yet to prepare such lists. In the absence of such Lists, beneficiary selection is based on the BPL lists. For the sake of Uniformity, funds under IAY are allocated based on the housing shortage furnished by the Office of the Registrar General of India (RGI). As per the information furnished by RGI based on 2001 Census, the total housing shortage in rural areas in the country is 148.34 lakh houses. For calculating this shortage, the RGI have taken into account non-serviceable houses and shelterless households. Accordingly, a statement showing State-wise housing shortage as per Census 2001 and the houses constructed from 2001-02 to 2008-09 is at Annexure. However, the Working Group on Rural Housing set up for 11th Five Year Plan had estimated a housing shortage of 474.3 lakh houses during the period 2007-2012. For this purpose, it had taken households without shelter in 2007, the number of temporary houses in 2007, shortage due to congestion in 2007, shortage due to obsolescence in 2007 and additional housing shortage arising between 2007 to 2012.