

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:230  
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SCHEMES FOR URBAN POOR  
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**Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has recently made an assessment of all the Central Schemes implemented for the benefit of the urban poor in the country ;
- (b) if so, the outcome thereof along with the extent to which such schemes have enabled in the amelioration of urban poverty;
- (c) the deficiencies identified so far in their implementation; and
- (d) the corrective measures taken/ proposed to be taken to ensure that the benefits of such schemes reach the urban poor ?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (d) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 230 FOR 28.08.2012 REGARDING SCHEMES FOR URBAN POOR.

(a) to (d): This Ministry is implementing the Swarna Jayanti Shahri Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) since 1997, which aims at providing gainful employment to the urban unemployed and under-employed poor through support for skills training and self-employment.

A study was commissioned by the Ministry to evaluate the Swarna Jayanti Shahri Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY). Based on the findings of the study and inputs received from the States and other stakeholders, the guidelines of SJSRY were revised in 2009.

So far under the Scheme, a total of 12,34,683 beneficiaries have been assisted under Urban Self Employment Programme (USEP), 26,85,095 persons have been trained under Skill Training for Employment Promotion amongst Urban Poor (STEP-UP) and 5,42,649 women beneficiaries assisted under Urban Women Self-help Programme (UWSP) components of SJSRY.

The Ministry of HUPA has proposed to upscale the existing SJSRY into a National Urban Livelihoods Mission (NULM) for imparting large scale skill up-gradation, enabling entrepreneurship development, and providing wage employment and self-employment opportunities.

The Ministry is regularly monitoring the progress through quarterly/monthly physical and financial reports, periodic review meeting at state/regional/city level and field visits by Ministry's officers. States and stakeholders are advised during the course of review meetings at Central/Regional and at State level to ensure that benefits reach the urban poor.