

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

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IMPLEMENTATION OF USHA .
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Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government is implementing a scheme, Urban Statistics for Human Resources and Assessments (USHA) to assess the activities related to slums housing and building construction;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any programme has been started by the Government for the development of slums under the said scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the amount allocated for the purpose during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (AJAY MAKEN)

(a) and (b): The Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation is implementing the Central Scheme of 'Urban Statistics for Human Resource and Assessments (USHA)' which aims at the development and maintenance of national

database, MIS and knowledge repository relating to urban poverty, slums, housing, construction and other urbanization-related statistics in line with the national emphasis of strengthening statistical base of policies and programmes. Funds have been released for conducting Slum/Slum Households and livelihood profile Survey in 988 cities/towns having above 40,000 population as per Census-2001. The surveys have been initiated by States/Union Territories in 663 cities and completed in 283 cities.

(c): No, Madam.

(d): State-wise funds released for Slum/Slum Households and livelihood profile Survey under the Plan Scheme 'USHA' during each of the last three years and the current year are annexed.