GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:471 ANSWERED ON:07.08.2013 INTEREST SUBSIDY SCHEME FOR ISHUP Dutt Smt. Priya Sunil

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

(a) whether the Interest Subsidy Scheme for Housing the Urban Poor (ISHUP) envisages interest subsidy to the economically weaker sections and other urban poor for construction of houses;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the amount released and the number of beneficiaries under the scheme during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government has decided to extend the coverage of the scheme by enhancing the amount of loan and liberalizing the eligibility criteria;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government is planning to enhance the corpus of funds allocated for the scheme this year and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION [Dr. (Ms.) GIRIJA VYAS]

(a) & (b): Yes Madam. The Interest Subsidy Scheme for Housing the Urban Poor (ISHUP) envisaged interest subsidy of 5% upto a loan amount of Rs. 1,00,000/- to the economically weaker sections (EWS) and Low Income Group (LIG) of urban poor for construction of houses. The scheme was launched in the year

2008 to be implemented in the 11th Five Year Plan on a pilot basis. The amount released and the number of beneficiaries under the scheme during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise is annexed as Annexure.

(c) & (d): The Government has proposed to extend the coverage of the scheme by enhancing the amount of loan eligible for subsidy upto Rs. 5,00,000/- both for EWS and LIG beneficiaries of the urban poor by liberalizing the income eligibility criteria as under:

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Category Income Criteria as existed Revised Income Criteria upto 13th November, 2012
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EWS Upto Rs. 60,000/- per annum Upto Rs. 1,00,000/-
per household per annum per household
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LIG From Rs. 60,012/- to From Rs. 1,00,001/- to
Rs. 1,20,000/- per month Rs. 2,00,000/- per
per household annum per household
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(e): ISHUP is being relaunched as Rajiv Rinn Yojana and sufficient budgetary provision of approximately Rs. 103 crores is earmarked for this purpose.