

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

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RENTAL HOUSING POLICY

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

- (a) whether there is no rental housing policy in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has appointed a committee/panel to suggest separate law for regulating residential rental housing projects;
- (d) if so, whether the panel has given its report to the Government;
- (e) if so, the main recommendations made by the panel; and
- (f) the action taken/being taken by the Government on all the recommendations of the panel and the time by which all the recommendations of the committee are likely to be implemented?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): The National Urban Housing and Habitat Policy, 2007 (NUHHP) includes the aspect of rental housing in the area for specific action. The NUHHP, 2007 has taken note of the difference between demand and supply for housing and endeavors to assist the poorest of poor who cannot afford to pay the entire price of a house by providing them access to reasonably good housing on rental and ownership basis with suitable subsidization.

In pursuance of the policy envisaged under NUHHP, this Ministry has circulated a "Draft Model Residential Tenancy Act" to States for their comments.

(c) : The Ministry has appointed a "Task Force on Rental Housing" to look at the means of increasing the stock of quality rental houses and to enable private sector to take up rental housing on a mass scale.

(d) & (e): The Task Force is yet to submit its report.

(f) : In view of the above, the question does not arise.