GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION LOK SABHA

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

- (a) whether the Government has undertaken any study on the status of unemployment in urban areas of the country during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details and the outcome thereof along with the number of unemployed persons and unskilled unemployed persons out of the same;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated under the Urban Self Employment Programme along with the targets set/ achieved during the above period, State/UT-wise;
- (d) the details of the institutes identified to impart training under the Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) and Skill Training for Employment Promotion amongst Urban Poor (STEP-UP); and
- (e) the details of the beneficiaries under the schemes, State-wise and the steps taken by the Government to provide employment to the educated unemployed people in the urban areas of the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION [DR. (MS.) GIRIJA VYAS]

- (a) & (b): Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation has not undertaken any study on the status of unemployment in urban areas of the country.
- (c): The Urban Self Employment Programme is one of the components of Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) scheme. Funds under SJSRY are released to states/UTs as a whole. The Statement showing States/UTs-wise funds released under SJSRY and targets set/ achieved under the Urban Self Employment Programme (USEP) component of SJSRY during last three years and current year is at Annexure-I and Annexure-II.
- (d): Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) scheme is being implemented through respective State/UT Governments. Institutes for Skill training are identified by State/UT Governments at their level under the scheme. Since the scheme is being implemented by the State Governments, no skill training institute has been identified at Central level.
- (e): Statement showing state/UT-wise number of beneficiaries covered under the scheme of Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) is at Annexure-II.

The Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation has launched a "National Urban Livelihoods Mission (NULM)" w.e.f 24th September, 2013 by replacing the existing Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY). The NULM will focus on organizing urban poor in self help groups, creating opportunities for skill development leading to market-based employment and helping them to set up self-employment venture by ensuring easy access to credit.