

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
PANCHAYATI RAJ  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:217  
ANSWERED ON:03.07.2009  
PROVISION OF PANCHAYAT GHAR  
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**Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether each village of the country has a Panchayat Ghar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefore and the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether any special funds disbursed to the State Governments for this purpose;and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ (Dr.C.P. JOSHI)

(a) to (c): "Local Government" is a State subject and each State is responsible to provide necessary infrastructure of a Panchayat Ghar for each Gram Panchayat. Data relating to the availability of Panchayat Ghars is not maintained by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Government of India.

(d) to (e): No special funds are disbursed to the States for providing Panchayat Ghars. However, the Ministry of Panchayati Raj supplements the efforts of State Governments through the Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Yojana (RGSY) under which Panchayat Infrastructure is one of the components. Funds are provided to States on the basis of their proposals received in respect of the districts not covered under the Backward Region Grant Fund. The scheme is being implemented since 2006-07. Under the RGSY, assistance for construction of a new Panchayat Ghar is provided @ Rs. 2.50 lakh and Rs 1.25 lakh is released for upgradation/repair. State-wise release of funds for Panchayat Ghars and Resource Centers is as under:

Sl.No. Name of the State Amount released  
(Rs.in lakhs)

2006-07 2007-08 2008-09

|                      |        |        |        |
|----------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| 1. Arunachal Pradesh | -      | 93.75  | 600.00 |
| 2. Assam             | -      | 722.34 | 237.00 |
| 3. Bihar             | 237.50 | -      | -      |
| 4. Gujarat           | 300.00 | -      | -      |
| 5. Himachal Pradesh  | 200.00 | 200.00 | 572.00 |
| 6. Manipur           | -      | 113.91 | -      |
| 7 Orissa             | -      | 492.00 | -      |
| 8. Rajasthan         | 300.00 | -      | -      |
| 9. Sikkim            | 157.50 | -      | -      |
| 10. Tripura          | 60.00  | -      | 395.00 |
| 11. West Bengal      | 12.50  | -      | -      |

Total 1267.50 1622.00 1804.00