

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:141
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INDIRA AWAAS YOJANA
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features of the Indira AwaasYojana (IAY) including the funding pattern and funds allocated for construction of houses under the scheme in plain, hilly and inaccessible areas of the country;
- (b) whether the Government also extends assistance for construction of houses in difficult areas including deserts, if so, the details of the unit assistance provided for the purpose; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to increase the unit assistance for construction of houses in these areas and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)

(a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No.141 due for answer on 17.7.2014.

(a) Under Indira AwaasYojana financial assistance is provided to rural BPL households for construction of a new house/ upgradation of Kutcha/ dilapidated houses and for provision of a house site. With effect from 1.4.2013, a BPL family is given a grant of Rs. 70000/- for new construction in plain areas and Rs. 75,000 in hilly/difficult areas including Integrated Action Plan (IAP) districts. Further, for upgradation of a kutcha house, assistance of Rs.15,000/- per unit is provided. For purchase of a housesite, assistance of Rs 20,000 is provided to the landless poor.

The funding of IAY is shared between the Centre and States, (except in North-Eastern States and Sikkim) in the ratio of 75:25 respectively. In the case of North-Eastern States and Sikkim, funding is shared in the ratio of 90:10. In the case of UTs, entire funds of IAY are provided by the Centre. The cost of providing house sites is shared in the ratio of 50:50 between the Government of India and State Governments.

(b) IAY is implemented in rural areas all over the country including difficult and desert areas. Under IAY, unit assistance of Rs.70,000/- is provided for construction of new house in plain areas including desert areas and Rs.75,000/- in hilly/difficult areas and IAP districts.

(c) The Government is considering to revisit the scheme in a comprehensive manner.