

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

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HOUSES FOR HOMELESS

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

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any survey regarding shortage of houses in the country including for economically weaker sections and lower income groups;
- (b) if so, the details thereof State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has set up any target for providing housing to all in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the schemes implemented / being implemented by the Government in this regard ; and
- (e) the target set for providing housing facilities during the Twelfth Five Year Plan ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation has constituted a Technical Group (TG-12) on estimation of Urban Housing Shortage of the Country for the Twelfth Five Year Plan (2012-17) .

As per the Committee's Report, the total housing shortage estimated at the beginning of the 12th Plan period i.e. 2012 was 18.78 million. Out of the total urban housing shortage of 18.78 million, 10.55 million is in Economically Weaker Section category, 7.41 million is in Lower Income Groups category and the rest of 0.82 million is in the Middle and above category. State-wise housing shortage estimated by Technical Group on estimation of Urban Housing is at Annexure-I.

(c), (d) & (e) : The Government of India has set a target of providing housing for all by 2022. The following schemes are in operation to alleviate the shortage of affordable housing:

(i) Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM): For rehabilitation of slum dwellers Government launched the JNNURM on 3rd December, 2005 for assisting State Governments in providing housing and basic civic services like water, sanitation etc to urban poor / slum dwellers in 65 select cities under the Sub Mission Basic Services to the Urban Poor (BSUP) and in other cities and towns, under the Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (IHSDP). JNNURM has been extended upto March, 2015 for completion of projects sanctioned upto March, 2012. The state-wise details of projects under the scheme is at Annexure-II.

(ii) Rajiv Awas Yojana (RAY): Government of India launched RAY in June 2011 in two phases; the preparatory phase for a period of two years which ended in June 2013. Government of India has approved the implementation phase of RAY in September, 2013 for the period of 2013-2022. The Central support under the scheme is admissible to States/UTs and Central Government Agencies for providing housing including new houses, incremental houses, rental houses, transit housing and development/improvement of basic civic & social infrastructure under the scheme. The state-wise details of projects under the scheme is at Annexure-II. The target for 12th Plan has been kept on 1 million dwelling unit.

(iii) Affordable Housing in Partnership (AHP): As an integral part of RAY, the competent authority has also approved continuation of implementation of Affordable Housing in Partnership (AHP) Scheme. The scheme has been amended to provide Rs 75,000 per EWS/LIG dwelling unit of 40 sqm size for housing and internal development components with an objective to encourage private sector participation in affordable housing. The state-wise details of projects is at Annexure-II.

(iv) Rajiv Rinn Yojana (RRY) is an instrument to address the housing needs of the EWS/LIG segments in urban areas, through enhanced credit flow. RRY is a Central Sector Scheme (CSS) applicable to all the urban areas of the Country. RRY provides for interest subsidy of 5% (500 basis points) on loans granted to Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and Low Income Group (LIG) categories of the urban poor to construct their houses or to extend the existing ones. The upper loan limit is Rs. 5 lakh for EWS and 8 lakh for LIG; however, interest subsidy would be limited to the first Rs. 5 lakh of the loan amount, in case the loan exceeds this amount. Rajiv Rinn Yojana is a target driven scheme. The overall target for the 12th Plan period is 1 million (or 10 lakh) dwelling units across country out of plan resources alone.