GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT LOK SABHA

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Universal Accessibility to Differently Abled
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the key features of the "Accessible India campaign" launched by the Government for achieving universal accessibility for the differently abled people;
- (b) the details of the number of Government buildings and Government websites made accessible to the PWD during the last one year, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has received a proposal from the Government of Rajasthan for making around 100 Government buildings and websites accessible to the differently abled and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the action taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI KRISHANPAL GURJAR)

- (a): Accessible India Campaign (Sugamya Bharat Abhiyan) has been launched as a nationwide flagship campaign for achieving universal accessibility for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) and to create an enabling and barrier free environment with a focus on three key features, namely, (a) Accessibility of Built up Environment (b) Transport System Accessibility, and (c) Accessibility of Information & Communication Ecosystem.
- (b) & (c): Accessible India Campaign has been recently launched in the month of December, 2015. List of Government buildings to be made accessible for PwDs received from various State Governments has been uploaded on website www.disabilityaffairs.gov.in under the link Accessible India Campaign. Government of Rajasthan has also sent list of government buildings and websites under Accessible India Campaign.
- (d): One of the essential features of the Campaign is to conduct accessibility audit of government buildings, websites. For conducting accessibility audits, experienced access auditors have been empanelled.