

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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FACILITIES IN IAY HOUSES

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that only a very minute share of Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) houses are equipped with all the facilities such as room, kitchen, store, toilet, smokeless chulah and bathroom;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to address this issue?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) scheme is being implemented across the country as per IAY Guidelines. In terms of the provisions in the IAY guidelines, IAY house has a minimum built up area of at least 20 sq. mts. excluding the toilet. Construction of toilet has been made mandatory, through convergence with Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan. It is also advised that the house should have adequate space for pursuing livelihood activities. For quality monitoring the State Government has to put in place a system of quality monitoring to guide and assist the beneficiary in achieving satisfactory quality in respect of various aspects including construction of a sanitary latrine, smokeless chullah, soakpit and compost pits and provision of electricity connection.

Further, the Ministry of Rural Development in compliance with the Government's objective of providing a 'pucca' house to all, proposes to revisit the scheme of IAY in a comprehensive manner, with a focus on providing a 'pucca' house with basic amenities and a house which is built using appropriate and locally relevant technology.