

New Projects by HUDCO

*167 SHRI SUKHDEO PRASAD VERMA Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state

(a) whether in view of the housing problem in the country Housing and Urban Development Corporation are considering to take up new projects to meet the demand,

(b) if so the number of cities likely to be covered during the period upto March 1978 and

(c) the number of dwelling units likely to be constructed during the period?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY & REHABILITATION (SHRI SIKANDAR BAKHT) (i) Yes Sir

(b) and (c) From its inception to 31-10-1977 HUDCO has sanctioned 654 schemes in 189 cities spread over 16 States and 4 Union Territories. As regards additional cities likely to be covered during the period upto March 1978 it is for the State Government agencies to come up with schemes to be financed by HUDCO and as such it is not possible to identify in advance the additional schemes to be financed by HUDCO in various cities.

The total number of dwellings sanctioned upto 1976-77 is 1,82,360 out of which 45,810 were completed till 31-3-77. During 1977-78 the number of dwellings which are likely to be financed by HUDCO is around 79,000. This is on the basis of an average cost of Rs. 10,867 per house as sanctioned by HUDCO during 1976-77 and the planned level of loan to be sanctioned during 1977-78. The actual number that would be completed during 1977-78 out of the dwellings sanctioned/likely to be sanctioned will depend on the pace of implementation of schemes by the borrowing agencies.

Slum Clearance and Urban Development Scheme

*168 SHRI K MAYATHEVAR Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING AND SUPPLY AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state

(a) the concrete steps taken by Government to provide a meaningful lead for slum clearance and urban development schemes

(b) whether the breakthrough in slum clearance can be achieved only by providing sites and sources and

(c) if so the resume of the efforts taken so far in this direction and firm guidelines if any issued for quicker and broadbased implementation?

THE MINISTER OF WORKS & HOUSING AND SUPPLY & REHABILITATION (SHRI SIKANDAR BAKHT) (a) A statement is placed on the Table of the Sabha

(b) and (c) The scheme of sites and services, which envisages provision of developed sites for self-help and of incremental housing is one of the solutions for housing for the low dwellers and economically weaker sections of the society. The Central Government has not formulated any scheme for financing projects of sites and services.

The Housing and Urban Development Corporation has, however, sanctioned 14 projects of sites and services having an estimated cost of Rs 5,089 crores in the States of Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Punjab and Uttar Pradesh. The HUDCO has already taken up with other States the question of financing such a scheme. Under the World Bank assisted projects similar programmes have been taken up in Madras and Calcutta.

Statement

Urban Development and Slum Clearance are State subjects