GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFHOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION **RAJYA SABHA**

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ANSWERED ON

COMMITMENT FOR SLUM FREE INDIA

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Will the Minister of COALCOALEXTERNAL AFFAIRSHOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state :-

- (a) Whether Government is aware of the President's pronouncement and its own commitment that India will be slum-free within five years time; and
- (b) If so, what plan has been made and what would be the budget allocation?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION

(KUMARI SELJA)

- (a) Yes, Madam.
- (b) The Government has circulated Draft Guidelines of Rajiv Awas Yojana (RAY) announced by the President of India, aimed at "Slum-free India" for suggestions/remarks. Under these Draft Guidelines, States have been requested to undertake preparatory tasks such as development of Slum-free City and Slum-free State Plan. Budget allocation of Rs.150 Crore has been made for 2009-10 to undertake preparatory works in connection with RAY.