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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 25 TO BE ANSWERED ON NOVEMBER 16, 2016

HOUSES FOR URBAN POOR

No. 25 SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM: SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT:

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

(a) whether the Government has considered project proposals from Tamil Nadu with the Central assistance of Rs. 667 Crores of which Rs. 181 crores are released as on August 2016;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to expedite the release of the remaining Rs. 486 crores to Tamil Nadu;

(c) whether the Government has received any special project proposal from Government of Tamil Nadu for the construction of 50000 houses for the Urban Poor; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a) and (b): Under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) [PMAY(U)], a total of 219 projects (21 projects under Affordable Housing in Partnership component and 198 projects under Beneficiary Led Housing component) were considered by the Ministry as in August, 2016, with a total project cost of Rs. 1795.89 cr involving Central assistance of Rs. 667.49 cr for construction of 44,499 houses in Tamil Nadu. Of the Central assistance considered, Rs. 181.35 Cr was

released to State Govt of Tamil Nadu as on August, 2016 as a part of 1st instalment (40% of central assistance). Of the balance amount of first instalment, Rs. 49.85 cr was released subsequently and release of Rs. 35.79 cr is pending due to non receipt of compliance report from the State Government. Further, Rs. 69.18 cr has been released as first instalment of central assistance in respect of another 26 projects of Tamil Nadu considered under PMAY(U) upto September, 2016.

State Government of Tamil Nadu may claim for release of the balance amount of central assistance by submitting 70% utilization of earlier central release along with the State release, physical progress and compliance reports in respect of the relevant projects.

(c) and (d): A request was made in December, 2015 by State Government of Tamil Nadu for grant of special package of Rs. 5,000 crore for construction of 50,000 houses for the families living along the banks of Adyar and Cooum rivers and Buckingham canal and other water bodies in Chennai city and its sub-urban areas at a unit cost of Rs. 10 lakh each.

As the sanction of special package is beyond the scope of the PMAY(U) mission, the State Government of Tamil Nadu was requested by the Ministry to approach appropriate authorities in this regard.

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