

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2041
TO BE ANSWERED ON DECEMBER 14, 2023**

UNSAFE BUILDING PRACTICES IN URBAN AREAS

NO. 2041. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that unsafe building practices in urban areas make them more vulnerable to adverse effects of natural disasters and calamities;**
- (b) if so, whether the Government has issued any recent guidelines in this regard; and**
- (c) if so, the details thereof, including monitoring mechanisms and if not, the reasons therefor?**

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
(SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE)**

(a) to (c) As per 12th Schedule of the Constitution of India, urban planning including town planning, regulation of land use and construction of buildings is the function of Urban Local Bodies (ULBs)/ Urban Development Authorities. Government of India supplements the efforts of the States through schematic interventions/ advisories. It provides financial and technical support to the States.

Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs (MoHUA), Government of India has published “Model Building Bye-Laws 2016” for the guidance of the State Governments, Urban Local Bodies, Urban Development Authorities under which detailed provision for structural safety of building are given. The “Model Building Bye-Laws 2016” is available on the website <https://mohua.gov.in/upload/uploadfiles/files/MBBL.pdf>

The Ministry has published Urban and Regional Development Plans Formulation and Implementation (URDPFI) Guidelines, which provides a holistic framework for plan preparation and implementation by the States/ ULBs. The URDFI guidelines is available on the website

[https://mohua.gov.in/upload/uploadfiles/files/URDPFI%20Guidelines%20Vol%20I\(2\).pdf](https://mohua.gov.in/upload/uploadfiles/files/URDPFI%20Guidelines%20Vol%20I(2).pdf)

The monitoring, notification of Building Bye Laws and its enforcement is the responsibility of the States/ ULBs.

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