# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

## UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 799 TO BE ANSWERED ON FEBRUARY 06, 2020

#### **AVAILABILITY OF GOVERNMENT ACCOMMODATION**

#### No. 799. SHRIMATI SAJDA AHMED:

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

- (a) whether the Government has assessed the demand and availability of the housing for Government employees working with the State Governments and Central Government across the country;
- (b) whether the Government has proposed to establish new housing estate for the Central Government employees throughout the country including Kolkata and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) the number of Central housing estates which have been upgraded during the last three years in West Bengal; and
- (d) whether the Government has developed common facility centre and rainwater harvesting project within the premises of old housing estates across the country and if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

### THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

#### (SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

- a) No, Sir.
- b) The Union Cabinet had approved redevelopment of seven General Pool Residential Accommodation (GPRA) colonies in Delhi at Nauroji Nagar, Netaji Nagar, Sarojini Nagar,

Mohammadpur, Thyagraj Nagar, Kasturba Nagar and Sriniwaspuri. This project envisages construction of 24,917 dwelling units by replacing 12,970 dwelling units. Redevelopment of East Kidwai Nagar was undertaken in the year 2013. Under the project 4,608 houses of various types are being constructed in place of 2,444 old houses. There is no proposal for construction of new quarters in Kolkata.

- c) Thirteen Central Housing Estates have been upgraded in West Bengal during the last three years.
- d) CPWD had undertaken special drive for replenishment of ground water by means of rain water harvesting system in Government colonies which was implemented in 103 GPRA colonies. The specific attention was paid to revive existing Rain Water Harvesting (RWH) Systems by means of a special maintenance drive to increase the efficiency by installation of additional RWH constructions and to cover leftover colonies under this action plan. As of now 309 existing RWH systems have been revived and 372 are under construction/installation in 103 colonies.

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