

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1672

TO BE ANSWERED ON FEBRUARY 11, 2021

HOMELESS POPULATION

NO. 1672. SHRIMATI APARAJITA SARANGI:

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

- (a) whether the Government has data to show the number of people who are homeless in each State;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Odisha and data specific to Bhubaneswar;**
- (c) whether the Government has taken any measures to provide shelter to the homeless population;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof including the number of shelters present and the number of people who have been benefitted from such measures over the last three years; and**
- (e) the details/data for the above specific to Bhubaneswar and the State of Odisha?**

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF
THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)**

(a) & (b): Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) is administering 'Shelter for Urban Homeless (SUH)' Scheme under Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM), through respective States/Union Territories (UTs). SUH provides for conducting systematic third-party survey by urban local bodies to indentify the number of urban homeless. So far, 25 States/UTs have completed their survey and the details are at Annexure. Odisha has reported that 3,967 number of homeless persons have been identified in Bhubaneswar.

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(c) & (d): It is the primary responsibility of Governments of the States/UTs to provide shelter for the urban homeless. However, in order to complement their efforts, MoHUA is administering 'Shelter for Urban Homeless (SUH)', which focuses on providing permanent shelters equipped with basic facilities for the urban homeless. State/UT level Project Sanctioning Committee (PSC) is competent to approve proposals for establishment of shelters. So far, 1,580 shelters are operational in States/UTs with a total capacity of 86,192 persons under the Mission.

(e): In Odisha, 36 shelters are functional under Mission, with total capacity of 1,865 persons. In Bhubaneswar, 07 shelters are functional under Mission, with a capacity of 268 persons.

Annexure

Number of Urban Homeless identified by States/UTs through Systematic third party survey (as on 25.02.2021) as referred to part (a) & (b) of LSUQ 1672 for 11.02.2021.

Sl. No.	State/UT	No. of Urban homeless persons identified
1	Andhra Pradesh	11,173
2	Bihar	10,253
3	Chandigarh	2,064
4	Chhattisgarh (in 77 ULBs)	10,216
5	Goa	173
6	Gujarat	35,293
7	Haryana	19,015
8	Himachal Pradesh	879
9	Jharkhand	1,735
10	Karnataka	7,282
11	Kerala	3,195
12	Manipur	4
13	Maharashtra	21,882
14	Meghalaya	48
15	Mizoram	3,888
16	Nagaland	49
17	Odisha	13,651
18	Puducherry	719
19	Rajasthan	39,512
20	Sikkim	13
21	Tamil Nadu	14,040
22	Telangana	2,952
23	Uttar Pradesh	28,409
24	Uttarakhand	2,364
25	West Bengal	10,565
	Total	2,39,374
