## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1607 TO BE ANSWERED ON FEBRUARY 10, 2022 SURVEY ON HOMELESS PERSONS

NO. 1607. SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any survey in respect of urban houseless poor persons in Bihar and in other parts of the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has received any proposal from Uttar Pradesh and other States/Union Territories seeking financial assistance for land acquisition meant for housing schemes/projects; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

## ANSWER

## THE MINISTER OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

## (SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

(a): Yes, Sir. As per census 2011, the number of houseless people in India was 17,73,040 which includes 9,38,348 from urban areas and 8,34,692 from rural areas. Further, in pursuance of the Government's vision of 'Housing for All', Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs is implementing Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban (PMAY-U) since 25.06.2015 for giving Central assistance to States/ Union Territories (UTs) including State of Bihar for providing all-weather pucca houses to all eligible urban households, including houseless people, who do not own a pucca house in his/ her name in any part of India and subject to income eligibility of the household under the scheme.

States/ UTs have undertaken demand survey under PMAY-U for assessing actual demand of housing. Total assessed demand of houses reported by States/ UTs under the scheme is 112.24 lakhs. Based on the project proposals submitted by the States/ UTs, around 114 lakh houses have been sanctioned across the country; out of which, 54.40 lakh have been completed/ delivered to beneficiaries and remaining are at various stages of construction/ grounding.

(b) & (c): No, Sir. Under PMAY-U, no such proposal has been received in this Ministry. As per Scheme guidelines, Central assistance is provided for construction/ acquisition of houses by purchase/ repurchase and not for land acquisition for projects under PMAY-U.

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