

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5361  
TO BE ANSWERED ON APRIL 03, 2025**

**PROGRESS OF AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING COMPLEXES SCHEME**

**NO. 5361. SHRI AMRINDER SINGH RAJA WARRING:**

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

- (a) the current status of the Affordable Rental Housing Complexes (ARHC) Scheme including key achievements and challenges;**
- (b) whether the scheme has effectively addressed the housing needs of migrant workers in urban areas and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the total number of ARHCs sanctioned in Punjab since 2020, year-wise;**
- (d) the number of ARHCs currently operational in Punjab; and**
- (e) whether the Government is considering for extending the scheme to further support affordable housing for migrants and if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE  
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS  
(SHRI TOKHAN SAHU)**

**(a) to (e): Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) launched Affordable Rental Housing Complexes (ARHCs) in 2020 as a sub-scheme of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - Urban (PMAY-U) to provide dignified living to urban migrants/poor near their workplace. This scheme is implemented through two models:**

- i. Model-1: Utilizing existing Government funded vacant houses constructed under Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) and Rajiv Awas Yojana (RAY) to convert into**

**ARHCs through Public Private Partnership (PPP) or by Public Agencies,**

**ii. Model-2: Construction, Operation & Maintenance of ARHCs by Public/Private Entities on their own available vacant land.**

**Beneficiaries of ARHCs are urban migrants/poor from Economically Weaker Section (EWS)/Low Income Group (LIG).**

**Under Model-1, so far, 5,648 existing Government funded vacant houses have been converted into ARHCs in different States/Union Territories (UTs). Under Model-2, MoHUA has approved proposals for construction of 82,273 new ARHC units in 7 States, of which 35,425 have been completed and remaining are under different stages of initiation/construction. These ARHCs provide dignified living with all civic amenities to the eligible beneficiaries at an affordable rate. No proposal under ARHCs sub-scheme has been received from the State Government of Punjab so far.**

**Further, based on the learning from the experiences of 9 years implementation of PMAY-U, MoHUA has revamped the scheme and launched PMAY-U 2.0 'Housing for All' Mission with effect from 01.09.2024 for implementation in urban areas across the country to construct, purchase and rent a house by 1 crore additional eligible beneficiaries at affordable cost through four verticals i.e., Beneficiary Led Construction (BLC), Affordable Housing in Partnership (AHP), Affordable Rental Housing (ARH) and Interest Subsidy Scheme (ISS).**

**ARH vertical of PMAY-U 2.0 aims to promote creation of rental housing for EWS/LIG beneficiaries including migrant workers and other poor who do not want to own a house but require housing for short term basis. The scheme guidelines of PMAY-U 2.0 may be accessed at <https://pmay-urban.gov.in/uploads/guidelines/Operational-Guidelines-of-PMAY-U-2.pdf>.**

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