GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2833 TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.08.2015

RURAL-URBAN MIGRATION

2833. KUNWAR SARVESH KUMAR: SHRI DUSHYANT CHAUTALA: DR. VIRENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the report of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and Pacific has submitted a report stating that half of the Indian population is likely to reside in urban areas by 2025 and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (b) whether the Government has proposed to develop rural clusters in the country with the objective of improving the quality of the life of people by providing basic infrastructural facilities and to reduce the rural-urban migration;
- (c) if so, the present status of this proposal;
- (d) whether the Government has also planned to set up 300 rural clusters by the year 2020 and the details in this regard; and
- (e) the other effective steps taken by the Government to provide adequate basic facilities/amenities to rural population and also to stop their migration from the rural areas?

ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a): No Sir.

(b) to(e): The Government proposes to develop rural clusters in the country under Shyama Prasad Mukherji Rurban Mission(SPMRM), with the objective of improving the quality of life of the people in the cluster, bridging the rural urban divide and reducing migration from rural to urban areas. The Scheme is being finalized.
