GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 65 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.04.2016

HOUSING FACILITY FOR BEEDI WORKERS

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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a)whether the Government has taken any steps to provide housing facility to beed workers in the country;
- (b)if so, the details thereof; and
- (c)the funds allocated as on date for the housing facility of beedi workers and the number of beedi workers likely to be benefited from it?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

- (a): Yes Madam, Ministry of Labour & Employment has taken a step to provide housing facility to beedi workers in the country.
- (b): A newly Revised Integrated Housing Scheme (RIHS), 2016 with effect from 02.03.2016 for beedi workers is being implemented in the country through the 17 Welfare Commissioners of the Labour Welfare Organisation of the Ministry. The housing subsidy of Rs. 1,50,000/- will be disbursed in three installments in the ratio of 25:60:15. The 1st installment of subsidy Rs. 37,500/- (25 % of subsidy) in advance after administrative approval of Director General (Labour Welfare), the 2nd installment of subsidy Rs. 90,000/- (60% of subsidy) after construction reaches the lintel level, and 3rd installment of subsidy Rs. 22,500/- (15% of subsidy) on receipt of report of 100% inspection by the Engineers/officers of Labour Welfare Organization.
- (c): The fund of Rs. 55.12 Crore has been allocated in the Financial Year 2016-17 for housing facility to the beedi workers and 14,000 workers (approx) are likely to be benefited from the fund this year.
