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HOUSING FOR URBAN POOR

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

(a) :Whether Government have assessed the shortage of housing for the urban poor in the country;

(b) :If so, the details of shortfall in the country, State-wise; (

(c) :the number of dwelling units that have been added during the last two years including the current year; and

(d) :whether Government plans to provide temporary shelter to the migrant workers and steps being taken to meet the shortfall?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION

(KUMARI SELJA)

(a) &(b) :A Technical Group constituted by the Ministry in 2006 to assess the urban housing shortage has estimated that at the end of the 10th Five Year Plan (2007-08), the total housing shortage in the country was 24.71 million. It put the housing shortage amongst the various income groups as under:-

Statewise details of housing shortage as estimated by the Group are given at Annexure.

(c)&(d) : `Land' and 'Colonisation' being State subjects, it is primarily the responsibility of State Governments to provide for adequate Shelter and take enabling measures, including for shelter for the migrant workers. However, the Central Government has launched Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) with the basic objective to strive for holistic slum development with a healthy and enabling urban environment by providing adequate shelter and basic infrastructure facilities to the slum dwellers including the migrant workers of the identified urban areas. Additional Central Assistance is provided to States/UTs for taking up housing and infrastructural facilities for the urban poor in 65 select cities under the Sub-Mission on Basic Services to the Urban Poor(BSUP). For other cities/towns, the Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (IHSDP) has been introduced. Total no. of Dwelling Units approved under the two schemes during 2008-09 and 2009-10 are as under:-

Year	2008-09	2009-10
BSUP	201012	1660
IHSDP	196657	7372