

(b) This was the tenth Annual Summit between the two countries. A Joint Declaration on "Deepening the Strategic Partnership to meet Global Challenges" was issued. Six Agreements were also signed in the presence of the PM and President Medvedev : (i) Agreement on the programme for Military Technical Cooperation during 2011-20; (ii) Agreement on After sale Support for the Russian Arms and military equipment supplied to India; (iii) Protocol to the Agreement on cooperation in development and production of Multi-role Transport Aircraft (MTA); (iv) Agreement on cooperation in Peaceful uses of Atomic Energy (only initialed); (v) Programme of cultural exchanges for the year 2010-12; and (vi) Dollar credit line agreement between EXIM Bank of India and Vnesheconombank.

(c) Does not apply.

Funding for Rajiv Awas Yojana

3308. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had earlier announced the Rajiv Awas Yojana to make the country slum free;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the funding pattern for the scheme has not been finalized; and

(d) if so, by when the scheme is likely to take off?

THE MINISTER OF HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA):
(a) to (d) In pursuance of the address of the President of India, to both Houses of Parliament in June, 2009 in which the Government's vision of a "Slum-free India" was announced, this Ministry began the process of formulation of a new Scheme - Rajiv Awas Yojana (RAY). This scheme aims at providing support to States that are willing to provide property rights to slum dwellers. The parameters of the Scheme including funding pattern, and time-schedule has been considered by the Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) on 27.10.2010 and this Ministry is now in the process of moving the Cabinet for approval of Scheme based on the observations of EFC.

Proposal from Punjab for poverty alleviation

3309. SHRI AVINASH RAI KHANNA: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes Government has proposed for housing and urban poverty alleviation;

(b) the details of allotment of funds to the different States;