

The Phase I of RAY, which is for a period of two years from the date of approval of the scheme, i.e. till June 2013, is currently under implementation. This is the preparatory phase of RAY to undertake preparatory activities like slum survey, GIS mapping, preparation of Slum-free City Plans and prepare pilot projects. Funds have been released to 194 cities for undertaking preparatory activities under Slum Free City Planning Scheme in the preparatory phase of Rajiv Awas Yojana. The Phase II of RAY shall be for the remaining period of the Twelfth Five Year Plan.

The present status of the scheme is as under:

- Rs. 99.98 crores have been released during FY-2009-10 and FY 2010-11 to 194 cities for undertaking preparatory activities under Slum Free City Planning Scheme-preparatory phase of RAY.
- 11 Pilot projects with total project cost of Rs. 491.15 crores involving central assistance of Rs. 221.70 crores have been approved/sanctioned under RAY for construction of total 9082 dwelling units (DUs). Since these projects have been recently sanctioned, State Governments have not reported its progress.
- In addition 09 Pilot Projects have also been considered in the recently held Central Sanctioning and Monitoring Committee (CSMC).
- 17 Slum Free City Plans of Action (SFCPoAs) have been prepared by State Governments (Hyderabad, Vijayawada, Indore, Jabalpur, Gwalior, Sagar, Belgaum, Bellary, Gulbarga, Tumkur, Shimoga, Hubli, Dharwad, Mangalore, Madurai, Tirunelveli, under RAY.

Migration of rural poor to urban areas

2890. 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 as per Census 2001 out of the decadal (1991-2001) urban growth of 30.3 per cent, 6.6 per cent is accounted for by migration to urban areas;

(b) if so, the reasons for such migration; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by Government to check migration of rural poor to these urban slums thereby reducing the population of the urban poor?

THE MINISTER OF HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) As per the Census of India, 2001, out of the decadal (1991-2001) urban growth of 31.48% (or 68.5 million), 29.92% (or 20.5 million) is accounted for by migration from rural to urban areas.

(b) Reasons for such migration may be due to urban pull or rural push factors including the degree of economic and social development, population pressure on land, increased opportunities of work, business, education and a variety of others including marriage in case of females.

(c) The Government of India has adopted a two pronged approach for tackling rural poverty and rural-urban migration in the country: firstly by providing basic amenities in rural areas through schemes like Indira Awas Yojana (IAY), Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), National Rural Health Mission, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, Mid Day Meal Scheme; and secondly by targeted employment generation schemes like Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) and Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), 2005.

Approval of projects of AP under IHSDP and JNNURM

2891. SHRI PALAVAI GOVARDHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of each of the project proposals received from Government of Andhra Pradesh for approval and allocation of funds under Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (IHSDP) and Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM);

(b) whether all the above projects have been approved before 31 March, 2012; and

(c) if so, blueprint prepared by the Ministry to complete the projects by 2014 since Mission period was expired on 31 March, 2012?

THE MINISTER OF HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) Total 45 project proposals under Basic Services to the Urban Poor (BSUP) and 109 projects proposals under the Integrated Housing and Slum Development programme (IHSDP) components of the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) were received from the State of Andhra Pradesh for approval.

(b) and (c) Out of these, 39 projects under BSUP and 74 projects under IHSDP have been approved till March, 2012. Details of approved projects are given in Statement (*See below*). The Mission period of JNNURM was for seven years upto March, 2012, which has been extended for two years upto March, 2014 for completion of ongoing projects sanctioned till March, 2012 and implementation of three pro-poor key reforms.