

**Homeless families in the country**

3926. DR. PRABHAKAR KORE: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any estimate about the number of homeless families in the country;

(b) if so, the details of rural and urban-wise numbers;

(c) whether Government proposes to bring any scheme to provide housing to all homeless families;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether Government has fixed any time-frame to implement such scheme in the country; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) and (b) Provisional Data from Census 2011 does not provide details of the number of homeless people in the country. Census 2001 had however enumerated 'Houseless Households' in the country, and these were defined as households who do not live in buildings or census houses but live in the open on roadside, pavements, in hume pipes, under flyovers and staircases, or in the open places of worship, mandaps, railway platforms, etc. There were an estimated 1,87,810 houseless households in urban areas and 2,59,775 houseless households in rural areas as per the Census 2001. State-wise details of the same, is given in the Statement (*See below*).

(c) to (f) Land' and Colonisation' are State subjects, therefore it is the primary responsibility of State Governments to provide housing to all homeless families.

However, in order to complement and supplement the initiatives taken by State Governments, Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation has drafted a programme namely 'Shelters for Urban Homeless (SUH)' to provide 24×7 shelters with basic facilities like drinking water, toilet and bathroom facilities, beds, storage and locking facilities, community kitchen etc. as part of the National Urban Livelihood Mission (NULM) during the current Five Year Plan period.

Since necessary approvals have not yet been received, no details or firm commitment on its final form can be given at this juncture.

*Statement*

*State-wise details of houseless households as per Census of India 2001*

Sl. No.	India/States/UT's	Total number of houseless households	No. of houseless households in urban areas	No. of houseless households in rural areas
1	2	3	3	4
1.	Jammu and Kashmir	2,123	482	1,641
2.	Himachal Pradesh	1,634	278	1,356
3.	Punjab	8,579	4,514	4,065
4.	Chandigarh	757	725	32
5.	Uttarakhand	2,940	998	1,942
6.	Haryana	11,860	5,054	6,806
7.	Delhi	10,044	9,809	235
8.	Rajasthan	27,196	11,002	16,194
9.	Uttar Pradesh	43,033	21,233	21,800
10.	Bihar	6,940	2,705	4,235
11.	Sikkim	80	25	55
12.	Arunachal Pradesh	105	23	82
13.	Nagaland	452	192	260
14.	Manipur	555	93	462
15.	Mizoram	72	57	15
16.	Tripura	246	84	162
17.	Meghalaya	380	47	333
18.	Assam	3,126	555	2,571

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19.	West Bengal	19,385	14,048	5,337
20.	Jharkhand	2,559	974	1,585
21.	Odisha	13,044	5,046	7,998
22.	Chhattisgarh	7,504	1,893	5,611
23.	Madhya Pradesh	53,489	15,662	37,827
24.	Gujarat	48,095	16,686	31,409
25.	Daman and Diu	227	92	135
26.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	305	50	255
27.	Maharashtra	87,474	30,594	56,880
28.	Andhra Pradesh	40,818	16,651	24,167
29.	Karnataka	26,057	11,367	14,690
30.	Goa	1,393	692	701
31.	Lakshadweep	—	—	—
32.	Kerala	5,654	2,769	2,885
33.	Tamil Nadu	20,532	12,619	7,913
34.	Puducherry	710	629	81
35.	Andaman and Nicobar Island	217	162	55
INDIA:		4,47,585	1,87,810	2,59,775

#### **Affordable housing projects**

3927. SHRI B.S. GNANADESIKAN:

SHRI A. ELAVARASAN:

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

(a) whether a Committee under the Ministry of Housing and Urban