and through policy interventions. Programmatic intervention like Rajiv Awas Yojana, Rajiv Rinn Yojana, Affordable Housing in Partnership etc. have been initiated by Government of India for targeted population.

 Furthermore, to overcome the housing shortage, National Urban Housing and Habitat Policy (NUHHP): 2007 have been formulated which aims at sustainable development of habitat at affordable prices to all. 'Land' and 'Colonisation' being State subjects, State Governments are pursuing the initiatives as per the NUHHP: 2007.

Housing loans with interest subsidy for EWS/LIG

2395. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government's Rajiv Rinn Yojana/Scheme is distributing EWS/LIG housing loans upto Rs. 5.00 lakhs with an interest subsidy of 5 per cent p.a. for tenure of 15-20 years in Urban Areas through Financial Institutions *i.e.* Scheduled Commercial Banks and HFCs etc.; and
- (b) if so, the details and numbers of people benefited from this scheme during the last two years, particularly in Maharashtra State?

THE MINISTER OF HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (DR. GIRIJA VYAS): (a) Yes, Sir. Under Rajiv Rinn Yojana (RRY)/Scheme, Government is distributing Economically Weaker Section (EWS)/Low Income Group (LIG) housing loans upto Rs. 5.00 lakhs with an interest subsidy of 5 per cent per annum for tenure of 15-20 years in urban areas through Financial Institutions *i.e.* Scheduled Commercial Banks and Housing Finance Companies (HFCs) etc.

(b) The scheme of RRY is to be implemented as a stand-alone Central Sector Scheme in the Twelfth Plan period with a target of 10 lakh urban poor residing in towns and cities across the country. The scheme is aimed at providing interest subsidy of 5 per cent on long tenure of 10-15 years loans up to Rs. 5 lakhs for purchase/construction of a house or for expansion/addition to house belonging to the EWS/LIG category of beneficiaries. The dwelling unit cost ceiling for the LIG category would is up to Rs. 8 lakhs. Households with income of up to Rs. 1 lakh area are categorized as EWS and that between 1 and 2 lakh are categorized as LIG. Size of dwelling unit for the EWS category is 21-27 square meters and that for LIG is 28 -60 square meters. The proposed outlay under RRY is worked out at

approximately Rs. 3,850.00 Cr for the Twelfth Plan period. RRY scheme has been started in October, 2013. Hence, beneficiaries are yet to be benefitted under this scheme, however, under its predecessor scheme ISHUP in the last two years *i.e.* in financial year 2011-12, 241 beneficiaries and in financial year 2012-13, 157 beneficiaries have been benefitised.

Efforts to reduce slums in Andhra Pradesh

2396. SHRI DEVENDER GOUD T.: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Andhra Pradesh is the second State in the country where there are more number of slums;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that more than one crore people are living in slums in Andhra Pradesh as per the latest figures; and
- (c) if so, the reasons for this downtrend in Andhra Pradesh and what special efforts the Ministry is putting to reduce slums in the State?

THE MINISTER OF HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (DR. GIRIJA VYAS): (a) and (b) As per the data released by National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO) on estimated number of slum and slum households in the urban area of the country in its report "Key Indicators of Urban Slums in India" based on its 69th round (July, 2012-December, 2012) sample survey, an estimated number of slums in Andhra Pradesh are 4539 and 15.98 lakh estimated households lived in these slums. Details of estimated number of slums and number of slum households in Andhra Pradesh are given below:

State	Estimated number of slums			Estimated number of slum households		
	Notified	Non-Notified	Total	Notified	Non-Notified	Total
Andhra Pradesh	3224	1315	4539	1417890	180769	1598659
All India	13761	19749	33510	5559771	3249236	8809007

Source: "Key Indicators of Urban Slums in India, NSS 69th Round (July 2012-December, 2012), NSSO.

State-wise estimated Number of slums and slums households in India-NSS 69th Round (July, 2012- December, 2012) is given in Statement-I (See below).