

National Slum Development Programme

1297. SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA : Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Slum Development Programme (NSDP) was introduced with the objective of improving the living environment of slum dwellers, if so, when and the objective of the programme;

(b) whether Additional Central Assistance (ACA) was being released to the States/Union Territories for the development of urban slums;

(c) if so, whether the said programme was discontinued at present, if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether there is any proposal to revive these schemes under 'Swachh Bharat' and if not, the steps taken by Government to provide basic services to the Urban Poor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO) : (a) and (b) The National Slum Development Programme (NSDP) was launched by the Govt. of India in the year 1996 with the objective of development of urban slums by providing basic amenities like water supply, drainage, road, sewers, community latrines, etc. in the slums. Under the Programme, funds in the form of Additional Central Assistance were released to the States/UTs for providing these basic services.

(c) Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JnNURM) was launched in 2005 for assisting State Governments/UTs in providing housing and basic services to urban poor/slum dwellers. The NSDP was subsumed into the Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (IHSDP) component of the Jawaharlal Nehru Urban Renewal Mission (JnNURM).

(d) No, Sir. As reported by the Ministry of Urban Development the Government of India has launched the Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) on 2nd October, 2014, with a target to make the country clean by 2nd October, 2019. All 4041 statutory towns as per census 2011 have been considered under SBM. The objectives of the Mission are elimination of open defecation, eradication of Manual Scavenging, modern and Scientific Municipal Solid Waste Management, to effect behavioral change regarding healthy sanitation practices, generate awareness about sanitation and its linkage with public health, capacity Augmentation for ULB's and to create an enabling environment for private sector participation in Capex (Capital Expenditure) and Opex (Operation and Maintenance).

Under the Basic Services to the Urban Poor (BSUP) and IHSDP components of Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission and Rajiv Awas Yojana (RAY) Scheme, the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation has assisted States/UTs in providing housing and basic facilities for urban poor including slum dwellers. The Ministry is in the process of launching a comprehensive mission for assisting the States and UTs to provide houses to urban poor including slum dwellers under “Housing for All”.

Renaming of Sardar Patel Urban Housing Mission

1298. SHRI S. THANGAVELU: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to rename Sardar Patel Urban Housing Mission, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government is considering to have a new name for Sardar Patel Urban Housing Mission commensurate with the diamond jubilee of the Indian Independence, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO): (a) and (b) Government is in the process of launching a comprehensive Mission to assist States/UTs for achieving the goal of providing houses to all by 2022, which will also be the 75th year of the Republic of India. For the name of the Mission “Housing for All by 2022” suggestions have been invited from the general public through crowd sourcing.

Contribution of MSME in the economy

1299. SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) sector has emerged as a highly vibrant and dynamic sector of the Indian economy over the last few decades;

(b) if so, the contribution of MSME in the economy;

(c) whether MSMEs also needs to specifically address organized and unorganized segments;

(d) if so, the response of Government thereon; and