

**Barrier free accommodation for person with the locomotor disability**

3971. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has framed Harmonized Guidelines and Space Standards for Barrier-Free Built Environment for persons with Disability to ensure equitable easy access to persons with disabilities;

(b) whether, according to the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016, persons with disabilities would have right to live in the community and the Government would endeavour that the persons with disabilities are not obliged to live in any particular living arrangement; and

(c) if so, the measures taken to provide barrier free access by DDA to persons with locomotive disability who are living in DDA flats situated on first floor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (RAOINDERJIT SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The Unified Building By-laws (UBBL) for Delhi 2016 has a complete chapter dedicated for provision for Universal Design for differently abled, elderly and children. Delhi Development Authority (DDA) buildings are being constructed as per guidelines issued by Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India and as per UBBL, 2016.

**Status of STPs**

3972. SHRI P. L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs), State-wise;

(b) the number of such plants currently functioning, State-wise, and

(c) whether there is any shortage of operation and maintenance staff in these STPs and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (RAOINDERJIT SINGH): (a) and (b) Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) conducted an inventory of Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs) in the country during 2014 and based on the information received from State Pollution Control Boards and Pollution Control Committees, 816 STPs are located in different States/UTs in the country and out of which 522 STPs are operational. The State-wise details of STPs are given in the Statement (*See below*).

(c) As per report of CPCB, there are shortage of skilled manpower for the running of STPs.