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PUCCA HOUSES TO RURAL HOMELESS POOR

2866 SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the targets of the Central Government under the Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana- Gramin (PMAY-G) to provide pucca house to every homeless poor in rural areas during 2020-21 could not be achieved during COVID-19 pandemic;
- (b) if so, whether Government proposes to boost the construction of houses for rural poor and to achieve the targets during 2021-22; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

(a) to (c) During the period of Covid-19 pandemic induced nation-wide lockdown, all construction activities including construction of houses under PMAY-G had slowed down. However, the construction activities have been resumed after the relaxation of Covid-19 lockdown guidelines. The States/UTs have been requested to expedite the completion of houses approved under PMAY-G. Other steps taken to boost construction of houses include allocation of targets to the States/UTs under PMAY-G, provision of adequate funds and promotion of eco-friendly and innovative technologies for house construction, provision of land to landless beneficiaries in rural areas, regular review of progress at the level of Secretary/Additional Secretary/Deputy DG, Ministry of Rural Development and separate review of States/UTs with high target, poor performing States/UTs and delayed houses in States/UTs.
