

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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SUBSIDY AND DWELLING UNITS UNDER IAY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government for increasing the number of dwelling units being provided to the rural poor under Indira Awas Yojana (IAY);
- (b) if so, the percentage thereof;
- (c) whether the subsidy as well as per house assistance being provided under IAY is also likely to be increased;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the efforts made/to be made by the Government in this direction?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL)

(a) & (b) The Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) is an ongoing allocation based scheme. Under this scheme, targets for construction of houses are fixed on year to year basis depending upon the availability of funds. Under the Bharat Nirman Programme, it is envisaged to construct 60 lakh houses over the next four years, ending 2008-09, as part of the business plan to augment the rural infrastructural base.

(c) to (e) With effect from 1.4.2004, the ceiling on construction assistance under the Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) has been enhanced from Rs. 20,000/- to Rs. 25,000/- per unit for the plain areas and from Rs. 22,000/- to Rs. 27,500/- for the hilly/difficult areas. The upper limit of assistance in respect of unserviceable kutcha house has also been increased from Rs. 10,000/- to Rs. 12,500/- for all areas. At present, there is no such proposal for further increasing the per house assistance being provided under IAY.