

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
URBAN DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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PRIVATISATION OF HOUSING SECTOR  
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**Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to encourage private sector to meet the increasing demand for housing units;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether a new town-ship policy is being formulated; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN EMPLOYMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION ( KUMARISELJA )

(a)&(b): In the draft National Urban Housing & Habitat Policy, there are suggestions to encourage the private sector and public-private partnerships.

(c)&(d): In the draft National Urban Housing & Habitat Policy, there is a suggestion to promote in-situ urbanization to reduce pace of rural to urban migration, which could be achieved through development of integrated townships using in-situ facilities or in Greenfield situations. This would avoid overcrowding in existing Towns & Cities.