

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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CONSTRUCTION OF EARTH QUAKE RESISTANCE BUILDINGS FOR DELHI
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Delhi is in earthquake prone zone; and
- (b) if so, the steps taken to make building earthquake resistant?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a)&(b): According to the Indian Seismic Zone map, Delhi is placed in Seismic Zone IV. The Unified Building Byelaws for Delhi, 1983 were amended on 21.3.2001 to provide for seismic and structural safety of buildings. The first level micro zonation map of the National Capital Territory of Delhi has been completed which would help assessing the strength of buildings/structures. A pilot project has been initiated in respect of five buildings, to provide a model for seismic safety evaluation and retrofitting of existing seismic deficient buildings.