MINISTRY OF HOUSING \& URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION

LOK SABHA<br>UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4043<br>TO BE ANSWERED ON AUGUST 10, 2016

CONTINUATION OF PROJECTS UNDER RAJIV AWAS YOJANA No. 4043 SHRI BAIJAYANT JAY PANDA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:
(a)whether the Union Government has accepted the Government of Odisha's request to approve and provide further financial assistance for the projects sanctioned under Rajiv Awas Yojana;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c)if not, the reasons therefor;
(d)whether the requested funds can be released under the Pradhan Mantri Aawas Yojana if the same cannot be done under Rajiv Awas Yojana; and
(e)if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor?

## ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING \& URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)
(a) to (c): Government of India sanctioned 18 projects under Rajiv Awas Yojana (RAY)/Affordable Housing in Partnership (AHP) in the State of Odisha. Of these, 16 on-going RAY projects for construction of 11,235 houses for slum dwellers/urban poor have been subsumed in Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) -Housing for All \{PMAY (U)HFA\} Mission and the remaining two projects, which had not started on ground as on 31.03 .2015, were cancelled. The committed
central assistance for the 16 on-going RAY projects is Rs. 290.16 crore out of which Rs. 136.26 crore has already been released. This Ministry releases subsequent instalments of the central assistance for the on-going projects on receipt of Utilization Certificates from the State Govt. with regard to the earlier releases made in these projects.
(d) to (e): State Government of Odisha may consider the cancelled RAY projects under PMAY (U)-HFA Mission in consonance with the scheme guidelines for seeking central assistance for such projects.

