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**Press Release**

**Chandigarh, March 13:- Members of the Scheduled Castes, as notified for the Union Territory, and sewer men of the Chandigarh Engineering Department and the Municipal Corporation, have reason to cheer up. The Chandigarh Administration has decided to allot them 320 one-room flats under the "Dr. Ambedkar Awas Yojana-2009", scripted and notified by the UT Administration in August, 2009.**

**Disclosing this here today, Mr. Sanjay Kumar, Housing-cum-Finance Secretary, UT, said that the Chandigarh Housing Board (CHB) had already initiated the process of short-listing eligible applicants, determining and verifying their eligibility, and drawing the number of applicants under each sub-scheme equal to double the number of flats available.**

**The list of eligible applicants will be displayed on the CHB notice board as well as on its website. The preliminary draw of lots has already been held by a sub-committee, constituted by the Administrator, UT, Chandigarh.**

**The CHB has been entrusted with the task of construction of 320 four-storeyed one-room flats, 160 in Sector 56 and 80 each in Sector 38 (W) and Sector 49. The scheme has been scripted in consonance with the guidelines issued by the Central Government under the Dr. Ambedkar Awas Yojana for rehabilitation of SCs. Each flat consists of one large room, a toilet and balcony.**

**The scheme comprised two sub-schemes. Under sub-scheme A, 240 flats will be allotted to SC members as notified for the UT of Chandigarh, and 80 flats to sewer men of the Engineering Department and Chandigarh Municipal Corporation. The allotment shall be made on the basis of seniority as on 1.1.1997.**

**The flat, costing Rs 3,10,000, will be handed over on 'as is where is' basis, and the CHB will not entertain any complaint. The Social Welfare Department, Chandigarh, is providing subsidy of Rs. 20,000. The CHB has collected Rs. 5,000 as initial deposit. The allottee has to pay 25 per cent of the cost at the time of taking possession of the flat. The balance amount would be payable in monthly instalments along with interest spread over 15 years, Mr. Sanjay Kumar said.**

**In case there is a shortfall of applicants in sub-scheme B, the remaining flats shall be allotted to the Safai**

**Karamcharis of Chandigarh. Still if the number of applicants is fewer, the flats shall be shifted to sub-scheme 'A'.**

**Earlier, the sub-committee had held preliminary draw of lots in September, 2009, in which 576 applicants for sub-scheme 'A' and 32 for sub-scheme 'B' had been short listed for the second draw of lots for the registration and allotment of specific flat number and floor.**