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So far 733 hutments which existed prior to May 1976 [cut off date] have been shifted from their earlier location in the interest of public and all of them have been given alternate site by the Municipal Corporation which includes 709 pavement dwelling families also. This protection is not available to those who have come up after 1-5-1976 [cut off date]."

The Corporation has been further subsidising 80% cost of construction of individual latrines by slum dwellers and under this scheme over 35,000 individual toilers have been built up in the slums and chawls in past few years and this subsidy component has been further raised to 90% with effect from 1st April, 1996. As per the Government's resolution dated May 30, 1987 State Level and District/City level officers are nominated to monitor the working of the scheme.

In view of the above factual background, the question that arises is: whether there is compliance with the directions issued by this Court referred to hereinbefore and whether any further modulation is need in that behalf?

Empirical study of urban and rural population in India discloses that due to lack of civic facilities and means of livelihood people from rural areas