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Squatter MPs to lose water and power supply in 3 days

House Panel Gives Week's Time To LS Ex-MPs To Vacate Houses

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New Delhi: A parliamentary panel on Monday gave a week's ultimatum to former Lok Sabha MPs to vacate their government accommodations so that new members can move to these bungalows and flats. The house committee of Lok Sabha also decided to stop power and water supply to the houses within three days where ex-MPs have been overstaying.

"We have allotted accommodation to 300 MPs. But many of them could not shift to their official accommodations since these have not been vacated. We have directed officials concerned to snap electricity and water connection where they find people overstaying. We have also directed officials to stop providing their houses. It will take a month or two to get the vacated accommodations ready for new allottees," house



HOUSING LAWMAKERS: PM Narendra Modi inaugurated 36 duplex flats for MPs at North Avenue in New Delhi on Monday

committee chairman Chandrakant Patil told TOI.

The decisions were taken at a meeting of the committee on Monday after there were reports of nearly 100 former MPs overstaying their government accommodations. All those awaiting for their official accommodations have been staying in transit accommo-

dations at state bhavans and the transit hostel that has been built on Janpath.

According to norms, former MPs need to vacate their official accommodations within a week of the dissolution of the Lok Sabha. The 16th Lok Sabha was dissolved on May 25 and all the ex-lawmakers should have vacated their houses by

June 25. "The house committee has no power to give any extension to current accommodation of former MPs. We are confident everyone will vacate their houses," Patil said.

Interestingly, later in the day PM Modi tweeted, "When a new session of Parliament begins, newer MPs face lot of trouble as far as finding accommodation is concerned. I am glad efforts have been made to overcome this problem". Modi inaugurated 36 duplex flats for MPs at North Avenue.

TOI has learnt that even some of the new ministers have been waiting for their official accommodation as the former ones are yet to vacate their homes. Sources also said that some of the MPs, who did not find place in the Cabinet, would need to get the new house from Lok Sabha pool to vacate the current accommodation.

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