Shri Durga Shanker Mishra, Secretary, HUA launched the PAISA portal during the National Workshop on Municipal Finance & Urban Planning on November 26, 2018 at New Delhi. The portal has been set up for processing interest subvention on bank loans sanctioned to the beneficiaries under the Self-Employment Programme. The centralised electronic platform has been designed and developed by Allahabad Bank. More than 300 delegates comprising officers from states, urban local bodies, town planning offices and banks participated in the workshop.

**Video conference with States**
A Video-Conference was held on November 16, 2018 under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary (NULM), with the 20 States/UTs and banks on-boarded on PAISA portal, to review the progress of interest subvention. The states were also asked to update SEP data in MIS and on-board the remaining ULBs in the PAISA portal.

**From the States**
**Bihar**: A newly constructed shelter for urban homeless in Buxar was inaugurated by the Minister (UD&H), Bihar on November 4, 2018. The shelter is equipped with 50 beds, drinking water, toilets and other facilities.

**Campus Placement Drive under Shehri Samridhi Utsav - Case of Jharkhand**
Under Shehri Samridhi Utsav, a two-day Campus Placement Drive was organised at Sidgora, Jamshedpur during November 20-22, 2018. Around 4,000 candidates from 9 Urban Local Bodies and representatives from 20 companies participated. A total of 1,685 were provided job offers in various sectors viz. Retail, Hospitality, Electrical, Electronics, Production, IT/ITES, Garment making and Beauty & Wellness. The packages offered by the companies to selected candidates were in the range of Rs 8,000 - Rs 12,000.

**Arunachal Pradesh**: DUDA, Palin organized a one-day workshop on November 27, 2018 where around 100 street vendors participated. Besides the awareness training on rights of street vendors, they were also provided training on cooking, food safety, personal hygiene, cleaning, pest control, waste disposal and entrepreneurship. The occasion was also utilised to transfer revolving fund to 7 SHGs, electronically.

**Assam**: A City Livelihood Centre (CLC) was inaugurated on November 28, 2018 in Lakhota by the Hon’ble Minister (Guwahati Development Department). Lakhota has established the first CLC of the state that will act as marketing platform for the SHG products and bridge the gap between service providers and citizens thereby, enhancing the livelihood opportunities for the urban poor.

**Rajasthan**: To reduce the incidences of winter death, the State has initiated a special program to aid homeless people in Ajmer, Jaipur, Udaipur, Kota, Bikaner & Jodhpur. It has engaged teams to locate the homeless and special rescue vans have been deployed to shift the identified person to the nearest shelter homes.

**Tripura**: Urban poor safety net survey was conducted in 15 ULBs during which eligible SHG members were identified to further link them to various social security schemes. COs and members of SHGs & their federations visited various wards to collect data of individuals who can be brought under the NULM SHG fold to extend the benefits of the mission.

**Call Centre inaugurated in Rajasthan**
Shri Pawan Arora, State Mission Director, Rajasthan inaugurated a call centre to track the candidates trained under DAY-NULM as part of Skill India Mission on November 28, 2018 at DBL premises, Jaipur. This initiative will also help in collecting feedback from the candidates for improvement of overall training quality, grievance management and information dissemination in the skill training programmes.