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DDA's mega housing scheme extended till October 15

Just a day before the mega housing scheme was to close, the Delhi Development Authority on Wednesday extended the date of form submission to October 15. Now people can submit the forms in the 13 empanelled banks and their designated branches till 5 p.m. on October 15.

Meanwhile, the DDA also announced November 5 as the tentative date for draw of lots.

A committee headed by a retired High Court judge and two IT professionals -- one from IIT-Delhi and one from government's National Informatics Centre -- will be supervising the draw.

Earlier, the last date of form submission was October 9.

However, owing to bank holidays on various religious

occasions in the first week of October, the DDA was mulling extending the date. The land agency had earlier said it would be taking a decision on extending the date near the closing of the scheme.

It is to be noted that while the agency has sold over 16 lakh forms, it has received only about 90,000 applications despite going all out by uploading a video on how to fill a form on its website.

The low number of forms received does not go well with the initial response the scheme had generated leading to the DDA website crashing within minutes after the launch of the scheme on September 1.