

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT
RAJYA SABHA
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ANSWERED ON
FLOODS IN GUWAHATI

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Will the Minister of COALCOALCOALCOALURBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether Government is aware of the fact that the Guwahati city in Assam appears to be flooded to the discomfort of the citizens since last few years;
- (b) the actual amount of money against the development scheme of Guwahati city that has been sanctioned and released so far;
- (c) whether Guwahati city has been placed as Class I city; and
- (d) if so, whether it is not appearing to be such when the flood and rains come and prevents the traffic system from moving?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT

(SHRI SAUGATA ROY)

- (a): Yes, Sir. It has been reported by Government of Assam that flooding occurs in Guwahati city causing discomfort to the citizens since last few years.
- (b): Two projects one each on Solid Waste Management and Water Supply has been approved for the City of Guwahati under Urban Infrastructure & Governance (UIG) of Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) with approved cost of Rs.3516.71 lakhs and Rs.28094.00 lakhs respectively with Additional Central Assistance (ACA) commitment of Rs.3165.04 lakhs and Rs.25284.60 lakhs. An amount of Rs.1582.52 lakhs and Rs.12642.30 lakhs has been released for the projects so far.
- (c) & (d): As per 2001 Census, the population of Guwahati was 8.20 lakhs which is classified as the Class-I city as per the census classification of cities/towns. The census classification of cities and towns is based on the population and does not have any relation with the levels of infrastructure and the civic problems due to flooding, etc.