

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS**  
**RAJYA SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1636**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON DECEMBER 27, 2018**

**CRITERIA TO DECLARE A CITY UNDER SMART CITIES MISSION**

**No. 1636. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB:**

Will the Minister of **HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS** be pleased to state:

- (a) the criteria laid down by Government to declare a city under the Smart Cities Mission;
- (b) the number of smart cities under the Mission;
- (c) the name of city in Kerala which has been included in the project; and
- (d) the status of that project?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE**  
**MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS**  
**(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)**

(a) & (b): The selection process of Smart Cities followed a Challenge (competition) process consisting of two stages. Stage 1 was intra-state competition and was conducted by the State Governments on four broad criteria - (i) Existing Service levels, (ii) Institutional Systems/ Capacities, (iii) Self-Financing and (iv) Past track record and reforms. On the basis of these criteria, 98 potential Smart Cities were selected in August 2015 to participate in Stage 2. Further, on the basis of requests received from States, 12 new potential Smart Cities were also included to participate in All-India Competition (Stage 2) of the Smart City Challenge Process.

In Stage 2, each potential Smart City submitted its Smart City Proposal (SCP) which was evaluated by a panel of national and international experts on the basis of two broad criteria i.e. (i) City level, and (ii) Proposal level.

On the basis of the above-stated Challenge process, 100 Cities have been selected for development as Smart Cities.

(c) & (d): Two cities have been selected from the State of Kerala for development as Smart Cities. These are Kochi and Thiruvananthapuram. The progress of implementation of Smart Cities Mission in Kerala State is at Annexure.

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**Annexure referred to in Part (c) & (d) of the reply to  
Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No.1636 to be answered on 27.12.2018**

City-wise progress of implementation of Smart Cities Mission in Kerala State  
(as on 30th November, 2018 )

(Value in Rs. crore)

City Name	Tender Issued		Work Order Issued		Work Completed	
	No. of projects	Value	No. of projects	Value	No. of projects	Value
<b>Kochi</b>	10	399.40	5	101.78	2	25.55
<b>Thiruvananthapuram</b>	5	82.7	5	191.19	--	--

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