

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS**  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.396**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON JULY 24, 2023**

**HIGH LEVEL COMMITTEE ON URBAN PLANNING**

**NO. 396. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR GUPTA:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that a high-level committee on urban planning was constituted by the Ministry;
- (b) whether it has submitted its report, if so, the key recommendations of this committee; and
- (c) whether Government has any mechanism for better monitoring and developing cities as centres of economic growth?

**ANSWER**  
**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE**  
**MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS**  
**(SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE)**

- (a) Yes Sir, a High Level Committee on Urban Planning has been constituted vide Order No.1-72/2010/TCPO/MUT (386) dated 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2022.
- (b) The Committee has submitted its first draft report in April, 2023 and its key recommendations include establishing a National Council of City Regions, establishing a national authority and national level service for urban planning, extending central support scheme for planning, personnel, and capacity building etc., and streamlining state town planning departments and revising and modernizing state town planning acts and regulations.
- (c) For monitoring the development of cities, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs have established Project Management Units at Central level and Project Management Consultants at City level to coordinate and monitor the progress of all the Missions. The investments made through Smart City/Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation /Housing for All, Swatchh Bharat Missions have developed the cities as centres for generating economic activities.

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