GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1835

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 7^{TH} AUGUST, 2024/ SRAVANA 16, 1946 (SAKA)

INTEGRATED URBAN FLOOD MANAGEMENT PLAN

1835 SHRI M. SHANMUGAM:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has initiated steps for an integrated urban flood management plan for flood-prone zones of Chennai sub urban;
- (b) whether any sub-committee of the national executive committee has been formed to consider various proposals in this regard;
- (c) if so, whether meetings were held and, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether any funds were allocated from the National Disaster Mitigation Fund as envisaged in the 15th Finance Commission, if so, details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI NITYANAND RAI)

(a) to (e): The Fifteenth Finance Commission in its report recommended from National Disaster Mitigation Fund (NDMF) an amount of Rs. 500 Crore for each of three metros viz. Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata to prepare integrated solution for flood management and also

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recommended an amount of Rs. 250 Crore each for four cities viz. Ahmedabad, Bengaluru, Hyderabad, and Pune for preventing urban flooding. The allocation from NDMF is on a cost-sharing basis with the States contributing 10 percent of funds from states' resources. Central Government has approved a proposal of Greater Chennai Corporation (GCC) for urban flood risk management programme in Chennai city with a financial outlay of Rs. 561.29 Crore, with Rs. 500 Crore as central share from NDMF.

As per approval mechanism envisaged in the NDMF guidelines, the Sub Committee of the National Executive Committee (SC-NEC) in its meeting held on 09.08.2023 considered and recommended the proposal of Chennai city for approval of the High Level Committee (HLC). The HLC in its meeting held on 23.11.2023 approved the proposal.

HLC in its meeting held on 25.07.2024 approved the proposals for the six (06) cities viz. Ahmedabad, Bengaluru, Hyderabad, Kolkata, Mumbai and Pune with a total outlay of Rs.2514.37 crore.