

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS  
RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2446  
ANSWERED ON 11/08/2025**

**BRIDGE SAFETY IN SMART CITIES**

**2446. SMT. SAGARIKA GHOSE:**

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

- (a) the details of itemised budgetary allocations for different sectors of urban development, specifically upkeep of bridges in the Smart Cities Mission (SCM);
- (b) whether there are separate allocations for maintenance of urban bridges and bridge safety; and
- (c) whether regular maintenance work is being done for the upkeep and climate readiness of urban bridges, in accordance with new technologies, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS  
(SHRI TOKHAN SAHU)**

- (a) to (c) There is no separate allocation for maintenance of urban bridges and bridge safety under SCM. However, SCM followed an area-based development approach through retrofitting, redevelopment, greenfield development and a pan-city initiative in which smart solutions are applied covering larger parts of the city. Smart City Proposals (SCPs) have been planned at the local level based on the local needs of the cities, across various sectors viz. smart mobility, Water, Sanitation, Hygiene (WASH), smart governance, smart energy and environment, etc.

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