

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS  
RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 86  
ANSWERED ON 21/07/2025**

**SMART CITIES MISSION – STATUS AND CHALLENGES**

**86. SHRI SUBHASISH KHUNTIA:**

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

- (a) the number of Smart Cities projects completed till date;
- (b) the amount of Central funds released and utilized under the Mission; and
- (c) whether any cities have reported delays or implementation hurdles?

**ANSWER**

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

- (a) As on 11.07.2025, in the 100 cities selected under Smart Cities Mission (SCM), out of a total 8063 projects amounting to ₹ 1,64,695 crore, 7,636 projects (95% of total projects) amounting to ₹1,53,977 crore have been completed and the remaining 427 projects amounting to ₹10,718 crore are ongoing.
- (b) Under SCM, the Central Government has a total outlay of ₹48,000 crore for the 100 cities. SCM has its financial closure on 31.03.2025 and there is no budgetary outlay for current financial year. As on 31.03.2025, the cities have been able to claim central financial assistance of ₹47,459 crore (i.e. 99% of the total Central share allocation). The States/Union Territories are reported to have utilized ₹45,881 crore (i.e. 97% of the total Central share claimed).
- (c) As apprised by the Smart Cities, the challenges encountered in implementing smart city projects include, *inter-alia*, legal issues, delay in obtaining clearances from different departments, land acquisition, construction in hilly areas, challenges in vendor and resource availability in small & medium cities, centralization of decision making in few cities, utilization of full capacity of Integrated Command and Control Centres (ICCCs) with integration of all municipal departments and agencies, frequent changing and dropping of projects

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