

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1661
ANSWERED ON 15/12/2025**

**INTEGRATION OF ANIMAL WELFARE AND POPULATION MANAGEMENT
UNDER SCM**

1661. SMT. SUDHA MURTY:

Will the Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any Smart Cities have incorporated comprehensive urban animal-population monitoring and management plans, including fully equipped Animal Birth Control (ABC) centres within their infrastructure development projects;
- (b) whether any guidance has been issued to Smart Cities regarding the inclusion of animal - welfare infrastructure and systematic animal-population management; and
- (c) the budget, if any, currently allocated under the Smart Cities Mission for such urban animal-welfare and population-management initiatives?

ANSWER

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

- (a) to (c): Smart Cities Mission (SCM) followed an area based development approach through retrofitting, redevelopment and greenfield development in 100 cities. None of the projects under SCM are explicitly oriented to animal welfare and population management. Cities under the Smart Cities Mission (SCM) have been developed based on Smart City Proposals (SCPs) received from States/UTs across various sectors viz. Smart Mobility, Water, Sanitation, Hygiene (WASH), Smart Governance, Smart Energy, and Environment, duly approved by State High Powered Steering Committee (HPSC) chaired by the Chief Secretary.
