

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1819
ANSWERED ON 09/03/2026**

INCLUSION OF CITIES UNDER THE SMART CITIES MISSION

1819. SHRI SANT BALBIR SINGH:

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

- (a) the number of cities in the State of Punjab that have been selected under the Smart Cities Mission (SCM), along with their names;
- (b) the total funds allocated to each selected city under SCM since its inception, the funds utilized so far by each city, and the percentage of fund utilization in each case; and
- (c) the total number of projects that were scheduled for completion within the stipulated time, the number of projects completed within timeline, details of projects that have been delayed or cancelled, and reasons for such delays or cancellations?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b): Under Smart Cities Mission (SCM), in the State of Punjab 3 cities, viz. Amritsar, Jalandhar and Ludhiana were selected. The city-wise details of central financial assistance released, utilized and percentage of fund utilization by the cities in the state of Punjab is as under:

Smart City	Central Financial Assistance Released (in ₹ Cr)	Utilization (in ₹ Cr)	Utilization (in %)
Amritsar	490	484	99%
Jalandhar	490	445	91%
Ludhiana	490	490	100%

(c): As reported by the State, as on 01.03.2026, out of a total 204 projects amounting to ₹4,485 Cr, 190 projects (93% of total projects) amounting to ₹4,148 Cr have been completed and the remaining 14 projects amounting to ₹337 are at implementation stage. The challenges encountered in implementing smart city projects include, inter-alia, legal issues, delay in obtaining clearances from different departments, land acquisition, change of site, issues relating to tender and execution by contractor.
