

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 857
ANSWERED ON 27/07/2026

SMART CITIES PROJECTS

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that several Smart Cities projects in Mumbai, Pune, Nagpur and Thane have witnessed delays, partial completion or limited on-ground impact despite significant financial allocations;
- (b) the details of projects sanctioned, completed and still pending, along with funds allocated, released and utilised since inception, city-wise;
- (c) whether any independent audit or performance review has been conducted to assess outcomes vis-à-vis original Smart Cities objectives; and
- (d) if so, the findings thereof and corrective measures taken to ensure time-bound completion and improved public accountability?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b): In the State of Maharashtra, 8 cities viz. Aurangabad, Kalyan-Dombivali, Nagpur, Nashik, Pimpri-Chinchwad, Pune, Solapur and Thane were selected under Smart Cities Mission (SCM). Mumbai was not part of the 100 cities under SCM. As reported by the States/UTs as on 31.03.2026, status of projects as well as central financial assistance released and utilized to these cities, since inception of the Mission, is as under:

(Amount in ₹ Cr)

Sl. No.	City Name	Status of GoI Funds		Total Projects		Completed Projects	
		GoI funds claimed	GoI funds utilized	No. of Projects	Cost of Projects	No. of Projects	Cost of Projects
1	Nagpur	490	490	47	1,768	40	1,588
2	Pune	490	490	55	3,333	55	3,333
3	Thane	490	490	52	1,712	50	1,402
	Total	1,470	1,470	154	6,813	145	6,323

As reported by States / UTs as on 31.03.2026.

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- (c) and (d): Under the provisions of Companies Act, 2013, Audit of the Special Purpose Vehicles under SCM is conducted by the State Auditor General (Audit) in the State/UTs.

Further, NITI Aayog in its report titled 'Evaluation of Centrally Sponsored Schemes in Package 4 – Urban Transformation and Skill Development' published in September 2025, has concluded that SCM demonstrates strong alignment with national urban priorities and citizen needs, contributing significantly to multiple United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. As per the report, the Mission has achieved a high project completion rate of 93% of 8,063 projects and 100% completion of Integrated Command and Control Centres (ICCCs), leading to measurable improvements in urban liveability, mobility, safety, and environmental outcomes.
