

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 858
ANSWERED ON 27/07/2026**

NATIONAL EASE OF LIVING INDEX FOR CITIES AND DISTRICTS

858. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB:

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

- (a) whether Government proposes to institutionalise a National Ease of Living Index for all cities and districts to assess the quality of public services, infrastructure, environmental sustainability, safety, digital governance and citizen satisfaction;
- (b) whether measurable performance indicators and periodic independent evaluations are proposed under the Index;
- (c) whether Government proposes to link Central assistance and incentive grants to the performance of States and Urban Local Bodies under the Index; and
- (d) the timeline for implementation, the nodal agency and whether Government will place annual district-wise rankings and performance reports in the public domain to promote transparency, accountability and competitive federalism?

ANSWER

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

- (a) to (d): No. Does not arise.
