

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2071
TO BE ANSWERED ON MARCH 15, 2017

UTILIZATION OF BUDGET BY LOCAL BODIES

No. 2071 PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government has noticed that a large number of local urban bodies are not in a position to utilise their budget allotments due to lack of proper technical support to complete their projects;
- (b) if so, the details thereof?
- (c) whether the Government proposes to set up separate local bodies cadre to train for a smooth functioning of local urban bodies; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN
THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT
(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a)& (b): Urban Development is a State subject and Government of India supports the efforts of State Governments by providing financial & technical assistance through various programmes & schemes. Lack of technical capacities and support at urban local body level is one of

the important reasons for project delays. Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) provides financial assistance to States & cities to set up management units by taking experts on contract to assist them in implementation.

(c)&(d): Under AMRUT, constitution and professionalization of municipal cadre is one of the reforms and the Ministry of Urban Development provides capacity building support to the States in the implementation of this reform through technical and financial assistance. No proposal is under consideration at Central Government level to set up a separate cadre for local bodies.
