

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 505

TO BE ANSWERED ON DECEMBER 19, 2017

RANKING OF CITIES

No. 505 SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has ranked cities in the country on the basis of their performance;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to reward cities which are performing well on cleanliness and to motivate/assist the under-performing States;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY
OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

(a) & (b): Yes Madam. In order to foster healthy competition between cities for improving cleanliness, Government of India carry out a cleanliness survey (Swachh Survekshan) every year to rank cities on various sanitation and cleanliness parameters. The first such Swachh Survekshan 2016 ranked 73 cities with million-plus population and all the State/ UT capitals. The Swachh Survekshan 2017 was expanded to cover 434 one lakh plus population cities and State/ UT capitals. The 3rd "Swachh Survekshan-2018" survey which starts from 4 January, 2018, will rank 4041 cities.

(c) to (e): No rewards are given to cities for better performance on cleanliness. However, 10 national level awards and 27 Zonal level awards were given to cities after the result of "Swachh Survekshan-2017". However, to motivate/ assist the under-performing States, a series of Capacity Building workshops for Swachh Survekshan were conducted in various cities.
