

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5131

TO BE ANSWERED ON MARCH 27, 2018

CONTRIBUTION OF URBAN AREAS

No. 5131 SHRI J.J.T. NATTERJEE:

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

(a) : Whether the towns and cities in the country are making major contribution to the economy;

(b) : If so, the details thereof;

(c) : Whether the urban areas contribute over 2/3rd of the Country's GDP and account for 90% of the Government revenues and while the population is less than 1/3rd of the total population of the country and if so, the details thereof;

(d) : Whether the country is facing various issues like steady increase in number of people who migrated to towns and cities in search of improved economic opportunity and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) : The reaction of the Government thereto?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

(a) &(b): Yes Madam, the towns and cities in the country are making major contribution to the economy. As per erstwhile

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Planning Commission's Twelfth Five Year Plan 2012-17, the urban share of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) has been stated to be 62-63 per cent in 2009-10.

(c) : As per the Twelfth Five Year Plan 2012-17, the urban areas contributed 62-63 per cent of the GDP in 2009-10 while the urban population is less than 1/3 of the total population (31% as per Census 2011). As per McKinsey Global Institute's report (India's Urban Awakening: Building Inclusive Cities, Sustaining Economic Growth, 2010) the urban economy is expected to provide 85 percent of total tax revenue by 2030.

(d) : As per Census of India 2011, the number of rural to urban migrants increased from 53.01 million in 2001 to 82.61 million in 2011. The number of rural to urban migrants for work/employment purpose has increased from 13.72 million in 2001 to 19.58 million in 2011.

(e) : To address the enhanced requirement of urban infrastructure due to factors which, inter-alia, include migration, Government is extending financial assistance to States/UTs to strengthen the urban infrastructure through various flagship urban missions such Smart City Mission, Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT), Swachh Bharat Mission & Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban).

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