

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2229
TO BE ANSWERED ON JULY 31, 2018
SMART CITIES MISSION

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

(a) whether the Government's ambitious Smart Cities Mission is floundering and even the funds released to the States/UTs under the Mission have not been properly utilized;

(b) if so, the facts and details in this regard;

(c) whether the cities selected under the Smart Cities Mission has been asked to prepare a list of best practices/smart practices adopted by them;

(d) if so, the names of cities/States which have formulated the same along with the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has set up any mechanism for the effective and better monitoring of the progress of Smart Cities and if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the timelines fixed by the Government for the completion of the works in the selected Smart Cities?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

(a) & (b) : 100 cities have been selected across the country for development as Smart Cities. These cities have been selected over a period of three years starting from the first round in January 2016 and ending with the fourth round in June 2018. The progress of development of a city depends on the date of its selection. After selection of a city, activities like incorporation of Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV), appointment of Project Management Consultants (PMCs), preparation of Detailed Project Reports (DPRs), preparation of Request for Proposals (RFPs) have to be completed before the projects can be grounded. These activities take around 15-18 months from the date of selection of a Smart city.

The 100 selected cities have proposed a total of 5,151 projects at an estimated cost of Rs. 2,05,018 crores in their Smart City Proposals. As reported by cities, 1,111 projects worth Rs. 35,176.95 crores have been completed or are under implementation and tendering has started for 436 projects worth Rs. 20,542.01 crores. An amount of Rs. 11,340 crores has been released by the Central Government to the States/UTs so far under the Smart Cities Mission.

(c) & (d): No, Madam. However, cities selected under the Smart Cities Mission share best practices/smart practices adopted by them with other cities during conferences/workshops/review meetings held from time to time.

In June 2017, the Ministry published "India's Smart Cities: Success Stories from Mission cities" based on substantially completed projects and upcoming innovative projects in cities. A total of 22 projects were included in this document, some of which are Public Bike Sharing from Bhopal, Adaptive Traffic Signal Control System and Bhubaneswar One from Bhubaneswar, Smart Road and Smart

Solution from Coimbatore, Smart Road Davanagere, Global Positioning System (GPS)-based Vehicle Tracking and Monitoring Systems for Solid Waste Management from Indore, Garbage-collection and management and M-Governance 311 from Jabalpur, Individual projects for Urban Slums from Kakinada etc. The document can be accessed on Smartnet at <https://smartnet.niua.org/content/16316245-5e7b-4d10-ab50-cfbfcf1065b1>.

In July 2018, the Ministry brought out a “Compendium of Award-Winning Projects” with details of all the 17 projects which were awarded under India Smart City Awards Contest 2018. These Projects include Pune Municipal Corporation (PMC) Care, Place-making, Lighthouse project and Public Bike Sharing project from Pune; Integrated Transit Management System, Water Supply SCADA, Safe and Secure Amdavad from Ahmedabad; Transforming Schools from New Delhi Municipal Corporation; Smart Campus from Visakhapatnam; Smart Schools, Waste to Energy Plant from Jabalpur; B-Nest Incubation Centre, Integrated Command and Control Centre and Public Bike Sharing from Bhopal; Conservation of Rajasthan School of Arts from Jaipur; Public Bike Sharing from Coimbatore; Intelligent Transit Management system from Surat.

(e) : The Ministry is regularly interacting with the States/Smart Cities at various levels through Video Conferences, webinars, review meetings, Workshops etc. to assess the progress and address any issues being faced in implementation of the projects. At the National level, the implementation of Smart Cities Mission is being monitored by an Apex Committee headed by Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs. At State level, State level High Powered Steering Committee (HPSC) chaired by the Chief Secretary has been established. There is a provision under Smart Cities Mission Guidelines to establish a Smart City Advisory Forum at the city level to advise and enable collaboration among various stakeholders and includes the District Collector, MP, MLA, Mayor,

CEO of SPV, local youths, technical experts etc. Besides, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs Nominee Directors on the Boards of SPVs are also monitoring the progress in respective cities on a regular basis.

(f) The duration of Mission is five years (FY2015-16 to FY2019-20). The Mission may be continued thereafter in the light of an evaluation to be done by the Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs and incorporating the learnings into the Mission.
