

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3401

TO BE ANSWERED ON AUGUST 7, 2018

URBAN INFRASTRUCTURE/SERVICES

No. 3401. SHRIMATI ANJU BALA:

SHRI TEJ PRATAP SINGH YADAV:

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

- (a) whether the Indian cities have failed to deliver even the minimum urban infrastructures/services like housing, transportation, sanitation, waste management for its citizens and if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (b) whether the number of cities in India with a population over one million are likely to increase rapidly in the next 20 years and if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether unplanned urbanization in the country poses an urgent and difficult challenges like widespread poverty, poor urban infrastructure, environmental degradation etc. and if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (d) whether India spends only \$17 per capita every year on urban infrastructure compared to the global benchmark of \$100 and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

(a) Urban Development is a State subject. The provision of minimum urban infrastructure and services like housing, transportation, sanitation, waste management for the citizens is the responsibility of the State Governments / Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) / Urban Development Authorities. To complement the efforts of the States, the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs through six Missions and one scheme viz. Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM), Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT), Smart Cities Mission (SCM), Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Housing for All (Urban) (PMAY-HFA) (U), Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana (HRIDAY), Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Urban Livelihood Mission (DAY-NULM) and Metro rail projects, is extending financial assistance. The details of the financial assistance released under the missions / scheme as up to 30.06.2018 is at Annexure-I.

(b) No such information is available as Government does not carry out city-wise population projections.

(c) Urban Planning is a State subject. However, Government of India has taken several measures to address planning issues including advising the states to constitute District Planning Committees, Metropolitan Planning Committees, issuing of model Municipal Laws, model Building Bye-laws, capacity building of the town planning personnel etc. In addition, the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs through its flagship programmes mentioned in part (a) above provides assistance to the states.

(d) As per McKinsey's Report titled India's *urban awakening: Building inclusive cities, sustaining economic growth*, in terms of per capita expenditure; India spends only \$17 per capita annually on urban capital investment.

Urban development being a State subject, the responsibility of creation of urban infrastructure is of the State Governments. However, Government of India assists the states by way of devolution of the grants through the Finance Commissions. The quantum of grants devolved to the ULBs under the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Finance Commissions is Rs 23,111 Crore and Rs 87,143 Crore, respectively, showing a four-fold increase. Further, the Ministry is facilitating the issue of Municipal Bonds by the ULBs to raise funds for capital investment.

Annexure-I as referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No  
3401 for 07.08.2018

Sl. No.	Name of the Mission	Financial Assistance Released Up to 30-06-2018 (Rs in Crores)
1.	Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM),	6,902.15
2.	Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT)	13,047.00
3.	Smart Cities Mission (SCM)	11,340.20
4.	Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Housing for All (Urban) (PMAY-HFA) (U)	27,520.00
5.	Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana (HRIDAY)	273.00
6.	Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Urban Livelihood Mission (DAY-NULM)	1,995.33
7.	Metro Rail Projects	86,312.13