

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.253
TO BE ANSWERED ON FEBRUARY 5, 2019

INVESTMENT FOR SCM

253. ADV. M. UDHAYAKUMAR:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that 99 cities which are part of the Smart City Mission (SCM) are expected to make investment of Rs. 2 lakh crore, of which the highest share of over Rs. 33,000 crore is proposed for urban transport and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether most of the cities in India are faced with a solid waste management crisis but only 2.4 per cent of the total investment is directed towards this sector and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether social sectors and storm water drainage are also a low priority on the investment agenda with just 2.5 per cent for projects in these areas; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): Under the Smart Cities Mission (SCM) launched by the Government of India in June 2015, a total of 100 cities have been selected from across the country for development as Smart Cities. These cities have proposed a total of 5,151 projects at an estimated cost of Rs. 2,05,018 crores in their Smart City Proposals (SCPs). The SCP is a citizen-driven document, prepared after extensive consultations with citizens and other stakeholders to address the unique requirements of the cities.

The objective of the Mission is to promote cities that provide core infrastructure and give a decent quality of life to its citizens, a clean and sustainable environment with application of 'Smart' solutions.

The Mission has adopted a two pronged approach namely;

- (1) Pan City solutions: Wherein cities are implementing at least one or more smart solutions in areas of priority for the entire city.**
- (2) Area Based Development: Wherein, certain areas are taken up for development either on greenfield/retrofitting/redevelopment models through integration of the physical, social, institutional and economic infrastructure, and deployment of essential features.**

The Smart City Proposals (SCPs) have been formulated by the cities based on multi-stakeholder consultations. The projects included in their SCPs have been selected by the cities themselves and reflect the aspirations as espoused by citizens and other stakeholders in the extensive citizen engagement exercise. Moreover, it is to be noted that sanitation including Solid Waste Management is an important part of the essential features of a Smart City, as mentioned in the Mission guidelines.

Convergence with other Missions and programs of the Government is one of the important features of the Smart Cities Mission. Cities, while creating their SCPs have dovetailed projects from other Missions as part of convergence within their proposals.

Provision of core infrastructure like water supply, sewerage and storm water drainage throughout the city is the focus area of Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT). Similarly, core infrastructure projects relating to solid waste management are the focus area under Swachh Bharat Mission.