

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2301
TO BE ANSWERED ON AUGUST 03, 2022

CENTRE FOR EXCELLENCE

NO. 2301. SHRI ADALA PRABHAKARA REDDY:
SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI:
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR BELLANA:

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

- (a) Whether the Government has designated Centre for Excellence for developing India specific knowledge in urban planning and design in existing institutions;**
- (b) If so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons, therefor;**
- (c) Whether the Government has designated any institutions in the State of Andhra Pradesh in this regard; and**
- (d) If so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
(SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE)

(a) to (d) Yes, Sir. In Budget 2022-23, Government of India has announced the creation of 5 Centres of Excellence in Urban Planning and Design in different regions of the country. Guidelines in this regard were issued in September, 2022. 28 academic institutions have submitted their proposals to MoHUA. An Expert Committee comprising senior officials of MoHUA, Deptt. of Higher Education, NITI Aayog and domain experts has been constituted. The systematic evaluation of the proposals as per guidelines is under process. Once selected, these centres will be provided an endowment fund of Rs 250 crore each.
