

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 875  
TO BE ANSWERED ON FEBRUARY 06, 2020**

**WATER LOGGING AND FLOODING IN CITIES**

**No. 875. SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the problem of water logging and floods in cities during rainy season in the country;**
- (b) the number of people affected and who lost their lives along with the details of the financial loss caused due to water logging and floods in the urban areas during last monsoon season, State-wise;**
- (c) whether unplanned urbanization and inadequate sewerage system have been the major causes behind water logging and floods in the urban areas; and**
- (d) if so, whether the Government will consider to have a proper sewerage system during rains in those urban areas and to have proper planning for urbanization by identifying such cities?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)**

- (a): Yes, Sir. The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs has taken cognizance of the problem of water logging and flooding in cities during the rainy season.**

- (b): No such data is maintained by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.**
- (c)&(d): Urban planning is a State subject. The construction and maintenance of the sewerage and storm water drainage systems fall under the purview of the Urban Local Body/Urban Development Authority under the State Governments.**

**For the guidance of the State Governments, the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs has issued Urban and Regional Development Plans Formulation and Implementation (URDPFI) Guidelines, 2014 by integrating the guidelines on mitigation, prevention and preparedness for urban flooding issued by the National Disaster Management Authority.**

**Also, the Ministry has issued Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Urban Flooding in 2017. The SOP lays down, in a comprehensive manner, the specific actions required to be undertaken by the city administration, various departments under the district administration and the State Government.**

**Further, the Ministry has published a Manual on Storm Water Drainage Systems, 2019 to provide guidance towards all aspects of sustainable design, planning & management of storm water drainage systems and emergency plan for flood response in urban areas.**

**The Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) is being implemented in selected 500 cities and towns. The focus areas under the Mission include sewerage & septage management and storm water drainage. Under AMRUT Mission, out of the total plan size of Rs. 77,646 crore, Rs. 32,456 crore has been allocated for sewerage & septage management and Rs.2,969 crore for storm water drainage.**