

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1716
TO BE ANSWERED ON FEBRUARY 11, 2021
PREVENTION OF MONSOON FLOODING OF CITIES

NO.1716. SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:

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

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal/plans to control flood in cities and town during the monsoons and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) the master plan being made regarding management of drainage systems in town and cities;**
- (c) the measures taken to control artificial flooding in Guwahati city; and**
- (d) the initiatives undertaken by the Government to address the issue of drainage system in Barpeta and Bongaigaon towns?**

ANSWER

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

(a)& (b) Urban planning being a State subject, management of urban flooding and maintenance of drainage systems falls under the purview of the respective State/ UT governments, Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) and Urban Development Authorities.

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For the guidance of the State/ UT Governments, 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.

Ministry has also 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 ULBs, District Administration and the State Government.

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

(c) & (d) Storm water drainage is one of the priority areas under the Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT), being implemented by the Ministry. Out of the total approved plan size of ₹77,640 crore, ₹2,969.08 crore (2%) has been allocated for Storm water drainage. So far, 787 projects worth ₹2,866.84 crore have been taken up.

No Storm water drainage project has been taken up by Guwahati, Barpeta and Bongaiga on cities under AMRUT.
