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

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 563  
TO BE ANSWERED ON FEBRUARY 04, 2021**

**COMPOSITION OF POPULATION OF THE COUNTRY**

**NO. 563. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:**

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

- (a) the difference between urban and rural population of the country according to the census 2001 and 2011;**
- (b) the estimated percentage increase in the urban population according to the upcoming census 2021; and**
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to provide facilities to the cities in a planned way?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)**

**(a) As per Census 2001 and 2011, the difference between Rural and Urban Population is as under:**

	<b>2001</b>	<b>2011</b>
<b>Urban Population</b>	<b>28,61,19,689</b>	<b>37,71,06,125</b>
<b>Rural Population</b>	<b>74,26,17,747</b>	<b>83,37,48,852</b>
<b>Difference between Rural and Urban population</b>	<b>45,64,98,058</b>	<b>45,66,42,727</b>

**(b) Estimates of Urban Population according to census 2021 are not yet available. However, as per report of the Technical Group on population projections for India and States, 2011-2036, based on Census 2011, published by the National Commission on Population (NCP), Ministry of**

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**Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India, the projected urban population for India as on 1st March 2021 will be 46,93,44,000 out of total projected population of 1,36,30,06,000. Thus, estimated urban population in 2021 will mean an increase of 24.46 percent in comparison to urban population as per census 2011.**

**(c) 'Land' and 'Colonisation' are State subjects and therefore, it is the responsibility of the State/Union Territory (UT) Governments to frame policies and implement schemes for providing facilities to the cities. However, Government of India through various programmatic interventions viz. Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - Urban (PMAY-U), Affordable Rental Housing Complexes (ARHCs) Scheme, Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT), Smart Cities Mission, Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban (SBM-U), Metro Rail Development Policy, Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana National Urban livelihood Mission (DAY-NULM) and PM Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi) have been making overarching efforts by assisting States/UTs both technically and financially to provide facilities viz. housing shortage, urban infrastructure in the sectors of water supply, sewerage and septage management, storm water drainage, green spaces & parks, non-motorised urban transport, sanitation services, metro rail development and assisting urban migrants/poor to improve skills and uplift economically.**

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