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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2811 TO BE ANSWERED ON AUGUST05, 2021

CITIS UNDER AMRUT IN CHHATISGARH

NO. 2811. SHRI ARUN SAO:

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

- (a) the names of the cities included under Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) in the State of Chhattisgarh;
- (b) the extent to which the project has been affected due to the present COVID period;
- (c) the criteria to make assessment of the pending works; and
- (d) the details of funds allotted and assessment of designated works in its comparison?

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

- (a): Nine (9) cities /towns of the State of Chhattisgarh have been covered under the Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT). Names of cities/towns are, Ambikapur, Bhilai Nagar, Bilaspur, Durg, Jagdalpur, Korba, Raigarh, Raipur and Rajnandgaon.
- (b): Implementation of projects taken up under AMRUT scheme was delayed due to Covid-19 lockdowns, however, the same has picked up pace once restrictions were lifted.

- (c): Pending works are assessed on the basis of progress achieved by States/ Union Territories (UTs) in each project. There is a dedicated AMRUT web portal for tracking the implementation of AMURT projects in the States/UTs. Information on progress of each projects is also obtained from the States while considering the claim of States/UTs for release of Central Assistance for AMRUT projects. Implementation of projects is also assessed by Independent Review and Monitoring Agencies (IRMAs), which have been appointed for each State/UT. The release of funds to States is based on the satisfactory report of IRMAs.
- (d): Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs has approved State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs) of all the States/UTs amounting to ₹77,640 crore for the entire Mission period, which includes committed Central Assistance of ₹35,990 crore. So far, ₹26,298 crore of Central Assistance has been released to States/UTs for AMRUT projects. States/UTs have completed 3,629 projects worth ₹19,568 crore, contracts have been awarded for 2,116 projects worth ₹60,672 crore and projects are at various stages, and 155 projects worth ₹1,046 crore are under tendering.Overall, works worth around ₹52,000 crore have been physically completed so far.

Some of the States/UTs have taken projects in excess of approved SAAP sizes. The entire excess expenditure will be borne by the concerned States/UTs themselves.
