

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2131**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.08.2024

**Utilization of Funds**

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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of less utilization of funds by the cities under the National Clean Air Program;
- (b) if so, the details of the initiatives taken till now to encourage the States to utilize the funding;
- (c) whether the Government has the details of the utilization of funds in metro cities; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE  
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(a) to (d): Under National Clean Air Programme (NCAP), an amount of Rs. 19,614.44 crores have been earmarked to 131 cities during the period FY 2019-20 till FY 2025-26 out of which 49 Million Plus Cities/Urban Agglomerations are funded under XVth Finance Commission air quality grant and remaining 82 cities are funded by MoEF&CC under Control of Pollution Scheme. So far, an amount of Rs. 11,211.13 crores were released to 131 cities to implement City Action Plans in their respective cities.

To monitor implementation of city action plans including financial progress of 131 cities, several review meetings were held at various levels during FY 2023-24, namely, 4 Monitoring and Implementation Committee meetings each at National Level, 31 Steering Committee meetings and 67 Air Quality Monitoring Committee meetings at State/UT level and 436 District/ City level Monitoring and Implementation Committee meetings have been held. Project Management Units have been established in cities for expediting the implementation of city action plans. Further, City level nodal officers have been nominated by Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) to conduct field inspections for monitoring ground level implementation of NCAP activities.

Utilization of funds by all cities under NCAP is 66% as on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2024 as against the utilization levels of 49% as on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023. The details of utilization of funds in metro cities is attached at **Annexure-I**.

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**Annexure-I****Details of release and utilisation of funds in metro cities under NCAP****(Rs. in Crore)**

<b>State</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Fund released</b>	<b>% Utilization of funds</b>
Gujarat	Ahmedabad UA	571.29	63.48%
Gujarat	Surat UA	261.18	100.00%
Karnataka	Bruhat Bangalore UA	541.1	30.82%
Maharashtra	Greater Mumbai UA	938.59	72.84%
Maharashtra	Pune UA	271.3	46.45%
Rajasthan	Jaipur UA	344.7	92.05%
Tamilnadu	Chennai UA	387.72	94.79%
Telangana	Hyderabad UA	614.34	66.19%
West Bengal	Kolkata UA	960.27	73.80%
Delhi	Delhi	42.69	31.76%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>4,890.49</b>	<b>69.81%</b>

\* UA refers to Urban Agglomeration.