

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 512
TO BE ANSWERED ON JULY 25, 2024**

SMART CITY MISSION 2

NO. 512. MS. S JOTHIMANI:

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

- (a) whether the Government has any intention to bring Smart Cities Mission-2 and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;**
- (b) the reasons for not including Karur city in the first list of 100 smart cities across the country despite having a population of around 2 Lakhs and being the fourth largest export city in the country; and**
- (c) whether the Government would include Karur in the list of smart cities in future and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
(SHRI TOKHAN SAHU)**

- (a) At present, there is no proposal of the Government to bring Smart Cities Mission-2.**
- (b) & (c) 100 cities have been selected under the Smart Cities Mission (SCM) after 2 stages of challenge process, including 11 cities that were selected from the State of Tamil Nadu. In the first stage State Governments shortlisted potential smart cities within state, on the basis of conditions precedent and scoring criteria in accordance with cities allocated to the state. Cities emerging successful in stage one were then recommended by State Governments to Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs (MoHUA). The proposal in respect of Karur was not in the list of cities recommended by the state of Tamil Nadu. Currently, there is no plan under consideration of MoHUA to include a new city in SCM.**
