

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 673  
TO BE ANSWERED ON NOVEMBER 28, 2024**

**PLAN TO DEVELOP NEW CITIES**

**NO. 673. SHRI UJJWAL RAMAN SINGH:**

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

- (a) the current status of the Government's plan to develop eight new cities in the country by spending eight thousand crore rupees;**
- (b) the time by which the Government is likely to make a formal announcement about the locations of the new cities with a schedule for their development;**
- (c) the names of the States where eight new cities would be developed and whether the Government proposes to develop a new city in Uttar Pradesh State as well; and**
- (d) 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) to (d): 15th Finance Commission has allocated ₹8,000 crore as performance based challenge fund for incubation of new cities, wherein the amount available for each proposed new city is ₹1,000 crore. A State can have only one new city through this fund.**

**In line with the recommendations of 15th Finance Commission, the Ministry constituted an Expert Committee (EC) for finalization of bid**

**parameters for incubation of new cities. The Committee finalized minimum eligibility conditions & bid parameters, and a Request for Proposal (RfP) was circulated to all States. The Ministry received 26 proposals from 21 States upto the last date. Due to non-receipt of qualitative proposals from North-Eastern States, fresh/revised proposals were sought from these States. Consequently, total 28 proposals from 23 States, including a proposal from State of Uttar Pradesh, have been received. The proposals are with the competent authority for examination/scrutiny.**