

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3423  
TO BE ANSWERED ON MARCH 20, 2025**

**ACCELERATION OF SMART CITY PROJECTS IN BIHAR**

**NO. 3423. SHRI ABHAY KUMAR SINHA:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is adopting any special strategy to accelerate smart city projects in urban areas of Bihar and if so, the current status of these projects in Patna and other cities;**
- (b) the number of new urban development projects, such as multi-level parking and market complexes started in Bihar during the last five years along with the number of projects proposed for the future, particularly in Aurangabad district;**
- (c) whether the Government is running any training or schemes to provide employment opportunities in housing and urban development sectors for the youth in Aurangabad district of Bihar and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (d) the details of the schemes proposed by the Government to prevent waterlogging and housing damage in the flood-affected urban areas of Bihar along with the time by which the said schemes are likely to be implemented?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) & (b) Four (04) cities in the State of Bihar viz. Bhagalpur, Biharsharif, Muzaffarpur and Patna have been selected under the Smart Cities Mission (SCM). As informed by the State Government of Bihar on 04.03.2025, 126 SCM projects amounting to ₹4,210 crore have been completed and 26 projects amounting to ₹1,138 crore are at implementation stage. The City-wise status of physical progress of projects under SCM in these 4 cities including Patna, are at Annexure-I.**

**Aurangabad district of Bihar is not included in the 100 cities selected under SCM.**

**(c) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs is not running any training or schemes to provide employment opportunities for the youth in Aurangabad district of Bihar.**

**(d) Disaster Management in urban areas, including urban flooding, is a State subject and falls under the domain of the concerned State/UT Governments and the Urban Local Bodies/Urban Development Authorities. Under AMRUT Mission, storm water drainage is an admissible component which involves construction and improvement of drains/ storm water drains to reduce and eliminate flooding. Under AMRUT, 03 drainage projects worth ₹ 237.99 crore have been taken up in Bihar. The details of the drainage projects are mentioned in Annexure II. Management of urban flooding falls under purview of the State Governments and the Urban Local Bodies / Urban Development Authorities who are responsible for maintaining the drainage and sewerage system. However, MoHUA has issued Standard Operating Procedures (SoPs) on Urban Flooding in 2017 and published manual on Storm Water Drainage Systems, 2019 to assist the States/ Union Territories (UTs) and Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) and other stakeholders on the planning, design, operation and maintenance of Storm water drainage systems and to assist all States/ UTs to raise the level of preparedness in the event of urban flooding, and for emergency operations including rescue and restoration of services. Under AMRUT 2.0, rejuvenation of water bodies and wells is one of the main components. The admissible elements under this include harvesting the rainwater through storm water drains into water body (which is not receiving sewage/ effluent) and creation/ strengthening of storm water drains around water body is one of the project components.**

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**Reply to part (a) & (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question 3423 to be answered on 20.03.2025 regarding Acceleration of Smart City Projects in Bihar****City-wise status of projects in 4 cities selected under SCM from the State of Bihar****(Amount in ₹ crore)**

City	Total		Completed		Ongoing	
	Projects	Amount	Projects	Amount	Projects	Amount
Bhagalpur	27	1,504	25	1,395	2	109
Biharsharif	61	1,449	52	1,143	9	306
Muzaffarpur	30	966	22	626	8	340
Patna	34	1,430	27	1,046	7	383
<b>Total</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>5,349</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>4,210</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1,138</b>

As per information provided by States / UTs / cities under SCM as on 4 March 2025.

**Reply to part (d) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question 3423 to be answered on 20.03.2025 regarding Acceleration of Smart City Projects in Bihar****Details of the drainage projects under AMRUT in the State of Bihar****(in ₹ crore)**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Sector</b>	<b>Milestone</b>	<b>Project Cost (In Rs. Cr.)</b>	<b>Project Completion Status</b>	<b>Cumulative Total Expenditure</b>
1	Bihar	Bhagalpur	Drainage Project in selected area under smart city Bhagalpur	Drainage	Work Completed	32.66	100	25.95
2	Bihar	Patna	Drainage Project (Mithapur to Beur)	Drainage	Work Completed	46.55	100	43.14
3	Bihar	Muzaffarpur	Storm Water Drainage Project (Phase-1), Muzaffarpur	Drainage	Contract Awarded	158.78	77	