

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. 280*

TO BE ANSWERED ON MARCH 16, 2016

URBAN POPULATION

No. 280*

SHRI B.V. NAIK:

SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether urbanization is increasing at a fast pace in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has made any future projection of urbanization and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether as per the report of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) the cities in the country are expected to house nearly 85 crore people by 2050 and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the long term strategy drawn/ likely to be drawn to meet the challenge?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT

(SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 280 FOR ANSWER ON 16.03.2016 REGARDING URBAN POPULATION.

(a): As per the Census of India 2011, the growth rate of urbanization during 2001-11 was 31.8% which was higher than total population growth rate of 17.6% during the 10 years period. The growth in urban population city-wise and decadal growth upto Census 2011 is given in Annexure.

(b): Yes, Madam. As per Census of India, by the year 2021, 432 million people will live in urban areas which is likely to increase to 670 million by the year 2031.

(c): As per the report titled "Indian Realty - Through the Looking Glass" which is a joint initiative of Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) and Jones Lang Lasalle states, an estimated 843 million (84.3 crore) people in India will live in urban areas by the year 2050.

(d): Urban Development is a state subject and it is primarily the responsibility of State Governments to provide basic amenities. However, Government has launched various programmes to support the effort of State Governments by providing financial assistance and capacity building. The Government has recently launched following missions to support the efforts of states in improving urban infrastructure and governance.

Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) for providing financial assistance for basic services. The thrust area of the mission are: Water Supply, Sewerage facilities, Septage Management, Storm Water Drains, Pedestrian non-motorised and public transport facilities, parking spaces and creating green spaces. The mission is implemented in 500 identified cities in the country.

Smart Cities Mission with the objective to promote cities that provide core infrastructure and give a decent quality of life to its citizen, a clean and sustainable environment and application of 'Smart' Solutions to improve infrastructure and services. The strategic components are area-based development plus a Pan-City initiative in which Smart Solutions are applied city-wide.

The mission is implemented in 100 cities in the country selected in phases.

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Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana (HRIDAY) To undertake strategic and planned development of heritage cities aiming at improvement in overall quality of life with specific focus on sanitation, security, tourism, heritage revitalization and livelihoods retaining the city's cultural identity.

The scheme is implemented in 12 towns viz Ajmer, Amaravati, Amritsar, Badami, Dwarka, Gaya, Kanchipuram, Mathura, Puri, Varanasi, Velankanni and Warangal.

Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM): The mission is implemented in all urban areas with the following objectives:-

- Elimination of open defecation
- Eradication of Manual Scavenging
- Modern Scientific Municipal Solid Waste Management
- To effect behavioural change regarding healthy sanitation practices
- Generate awareness about sanitation and its linkage with public health
- Capacity Augmentation for ULB's
