

Urban Development Projects in Gujarat

7189. SHRI N.J. RATHVA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of urban development projects implemented/being implemented in Gujarat especially in the tribal areas with the Central assistance; and

(b) the expenditure incurred/being incurred on them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P.K. THUNGON): (a) There is no such Scheme for providing Central Assistance for Urban Development projects especially in the tribal areas of Gujarat State. However, since 1979-80 a Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Integrated Developed of Small and Medium Towns (IDSMT) is in operation in the States/UTs including Gujarat. The main objective of IDSMT Scheme is to provide infrastructure facilities to support growth and employment generation activities in towns having population upto 3 lakh as per 1991 census. By 31st March, 1994, 36 towns of Gujarat State were covered under IDSMT and Central Assistance of Rs.1160 lakh released, irrespective of their locations in tribal and non-tribal areas.

(b) The expenditure incurred upto December, 1993 as reported by the State Government amounts to Rs.1738 lakhs.

Dowry Death Cases in Allahabad High Court

7190. SHRI SURENDRAPAL PATHAK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of harassment for dowry and dowry deaths lying pending in Allahabad High Court of Uttar Pradesh and its Lucknow Bench;

(b) since when these are lying pending;

(c) the reasons for the delay in disposing of these cases; and

(d) the time by which these cases are likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b) As per the information furnished by the Registry of Allahabad High Court, the pendency of cases of harassment for dowry and dowry deaths in Allahabad High Court and its Lucknow bench is as follows:

<i>Year</i>	<i>Number of cases pending</i>
1985	33
1986	26
1987	35
1988	54
1989	56
1990	53
1991	86
1992	116
1993	103
1994	41
Total	603