

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS**  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 859**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON DECEMBER 07, 2023**

**STATUS OF SMART CITY PROJECT**

**NO. 859    SHRI VE. VAITHILINGAM:**

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

- (a) the present status of Smart City Project implemented in Puducherry;**
- (b) the quantum of assistance approved for this project and the amount spent so far for this project;**
- (c) the works completed and in progress under this project in Puducherry; and**
- (d) whether any unspent fund is returned by the Puducherry administration and if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE**  
**MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS**  
**(SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE)**

**(a) to (d) : Government of India launched Smart Cities Mission (SCM) on 25 June 2015. 100 Smart Cities have been selected through 4 rounds of competition from January 2016 to June 2018. Puducherry was selected for development as a Smart City in Round-3 of the**

**selection process held in June 2017. The status of projects of Puducherry Smart City is given below:**

**(Amount in ₹ crore)**

<b>Smart City</b>	<b>Funds released under SCM</b>	<b>Utilisation thereof</b>	<b>Ongoing projects</b>		<b>Completed projects</b>		<b>Total projects</b>	
			<b>No. of Projects</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>No. of Projects</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>No. of Projects</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<b>Puducherry</b>	<b>356.00</b>	<b>176.68</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>899.87</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>44.06</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>943.93</b>

**(Source: Geospatial Management Information System as on 24 November 2023)**

**Puducherry Smart City has not returned any unspent fund except interest earned against unspent Government of India grant which is as per General Financial Rules (GFR) provisions.**

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