

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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ALLOCATION OF FUNDS
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Will the Minister of URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the allocation for urban development and poverty alleviation programme made/utilised during the Seventh, Eighth and up-to-date Ninth Plan till December, 2000, State-wise; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to take care of the imbalances in respect of urban centres in the country, particularly in West Bengal?

Answer

MINISTER OF URBAN EMPLOYMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH DHINDSA)

(a): Ministry of Urban Development has reported that three schemes namely, Infrastructure Development in Mega City, Urban Mapping and Integrated Development of Small & Medium Towns

(IDSMT) are being implemented by them. Infrastructure Development in Mega City and Urban Mapping are being implemented since VIIIth Plan whereas IDSMT is being implemented since VIth Plan. The allocation/utilisation of funds under these programmes is reported to be as under:

MEGA CITY SCHEME (Rupees in crores)

| NAME OF CITY (ACTUAL) | ALLOCATION (RELEASED BY THE MIN.) | UTILISATION |
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| MUMBAI 8TH PLAN | 67.36 | 67.36 |
| 9TH PLAN | 54.52 | 54.52 |
| CALCUTTA 8TH PLAN | 67.86 | 67.86 |
| 9TH PLAN | 47.90 | 47.90 |
| CHENNAI 8TH PLAN | 55.26 | 55.26 |
| 9TH PLAN | 40.74 | 40.74 |
| HYDERABAD 8TH PLAN | 53.49 | 53.49 |
| 9TH PLAN | 41.78 | 41.78 |
| BANGALORE 8TH PLAN | 45.83 | 45.83 |
| 9TH PLAN | 38.71 | 38.71 |

URBAN MAPPING SCHEME

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| 8TH PLAN | 7.08 | 7.08 |
| 9TH PLAN | 3.91 | 3.91 |

The amount released during the 9th Plan is for the first three years of the Plan period.

INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL AND MEDIUM TOWNS (IDSMT)

(Rs in crores)

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| Central assistance | Expenditure (Released) |
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|-------------|--------|--------|--------|
| 7TH PLAN | 80.01} | | |
| 1990-91 | 19.10} | | 125.33 |
| 1991-92 | 13.44} | | |
| 8TH PLAN | | 107.81 | 184.90 |
| 9TH PLAN | | 79.17 | 173.82 |
| (till date) | | | |

Plan-wise and State-wise Central Assistance Released and Expenditure incurred in the respective Plans as reported by the State Govts. are given at Annexure-A.

In so far as the Ministry of Urban Employment & Poverty Alleviation is concerned, prior to 1.12.97, there were three programmes for poverty alleviation namely, Nehru Rojgar Yojana

(NRY), Urban Basic Services for the Poor (UBSP) and Prime Minister's Integrated Urban Poverty Eradication Programme (PMI UPEP). From 1.12.97, these programmes were subsumed in a new programme called Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rojgar Yojana (SJSRY). Statements showing the allocations made/utilised, State-wise during the Seventh, Eighth and Ninth Plan upto December 1999 are annexed as Annexures B, C, D & E.

(b): Under the Mega City Scheme, the Ministry of Urban Development has reported that under Mega City Scheme applicable to cities with more than 4 million population as per 1991 census, the sharing between Central and State Governments is in the ratio of 25:25 and balance 50% is to be met from Institution finance. This is applicable to all the 5 Mega Cities. The funds are allocated to the five mega cities on the basis of criteria as annexed at Annexure F. However, State Governments may provide more funds if they so desire.

Regarding IDSMT, the Ministry of Urban Development has reported that the allocation of funds to States under IDSMT is made or proportion to the urban population living in small and medium towns of the States to that of the country. The selection and priority of towns under the scheme is vested with the respective State Govts. as per their urban strategy including West Bengal. Further towns have been classified under the scheme on the population criteria, which lays down a financing pattern. Details are enclosed as Annexure-G.

In the State of West Bengal so far 68 towns have been covered under IDSMT scheme and the Central assistance amounting to Rs.24.61 crores have been released. Town-wise details and expenditure reported is enclosed at Annexure-H.