

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

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EXPANSION OF URBAN NETWORK NO.  
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**Will the Minister of URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Union Government have taken any steps for constructing houses and expansion of urban network in metropolitan cities particularly in Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata and Chennai; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN EMPLOYMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION ( KUMARI SELJA )

(a)&(b): A new scheme called Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) has been launched on 03.12.2005 for reforms driven, fast track, planned development of identified cities with focus on efficiency in urban infrastructure/services, delivery mechanism, community participation and accountability on Urban Local Bodies (ULBs)/Parastatals towards citizens in 63 cities including Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata and Chennai.

JNNURM has two sub-missions namely sub-mission for Urban Infrastructure and Governance and sub-mission for Basic Services to the Urban Poor. The main thrust of the sub-mission on Urban Infrastructure and governance will be on major infrastructure projects relating to water supply including sanitation, sewerage, solid waste management road network, urban transport and redevelopment of inner (old) city areas with a view to upgrading infrastructure therein, shifting industrial/commercial establishments to conforming areas etc. The main thrust of the sub-mission on Basic Services to the Urban Poor will be integrated development of slums through projects for providing shelter, basic services and other related civic amenities with a view to provide utilities to the urban poor.