

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA**

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LACK OF INFRASTRUCTURE
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering corporate-community- Government-Non-Governmental Organisation partnerships to face the developmental challenge of the country;
- (b) if so, the action taken by the Government so far in this regard;
- (c) whether the metropolis are lacking in infrastructure to meet the challenge of development; and
- (d) if so, the action Government is taking to signal all the metropolis to face developmental challenge?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS(SHRI.V. NARAYANASAMY)

(a): Yes Sir.

(b): The Eleventh Five Year Plan provides for extensive co-operation between the Government and corporate, Non-governmental organizations and community partnerships to face the developmental challenge of the country. The Eleventh Five Year Plan document envisaged that 30 per cent of the funds required for investment in infrastructure would come from the private sector, mainly through Public Private Partnerships. NGOs are involved in helping government in development and implementation of education and health schemes and programmes. For promoting public health and cleanliness in urban slums, the Eleventh Five Year Plan envisaged encompassing experiences of civil society organizations (CSO) working in urban slum clusters. It also sought to build a bridge of NGO-GO partnership and develop community level monitoring of resources and their rightful use. Such community/Non-government organisations are also facilitating the effectiveness of Panchayati Raj Institutions and aiding in the delivery of rural-based programmes.

(c) & (d): Yes, Sir. Since cities and towns in India constitute the second largest urban system in the world and contribute over 50 per cent of the country's GDP, the Government initiated Jawahar Lal Nehru National Urban Mission (JNNURM) for the purpose of encouraging reforms and fast track planned development of identified cities in three categories:

- i. Cities /urban agglomerations (UA) with a 4 million plus population as per 2001 census
- ii. Cities/UA with 1 million plus but less than 4 million population as per 2001 census.
- iii. Selected cities/UAs It is expected that the JNNURM assistance would serve to catalyse the flow of investment into the urban infrastructure sector across the country. Funds from the Central and State Government will flow directly to the nodal agency designated by the State, as grants-in-aid. The funds for identified projects across cities would be disbursed to the ULB/Parastatal agency through the designated State Level Nodal Agency (SLNA) as soft loan or grant-cum-loan or grant.