

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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WORLD BANK LOAN FOR URBAN INFRASTRUCTURE
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the World Bank has offered loan of Rs. 25,000 crore for urban development;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether a team of World Bank has come to India to assess the development activities in urban cities;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the projects identified therefor; and
- (e) the time by which the modalities for the aforesaid loan are likely to be finalised?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SAUGATA ROY)

(a)&(b): A proposal has been initiated for a \$ 5.3 billion (Rs. 26500 crore approx.) assistance from World Bank. The Government of India aims to obtain programmatic assistance based on the overall JNNURM approach for development of Urban Infrastructure, Water Supply, Sanitation and Urban Transport in cities.

(c)&(d): Yes, Madam. The World Bank Team had interaction inter-alia with the officials of the Ministry of Urban Development, some Municipal Commissioners & State Governments and Reform Appraisal Agencies. The proposal is for a programmatic assistance, hence no individual project for assistance was identified.

(e): The proposal is still at early stages of firming-up.