

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:99
ANSWERED ON:30.07.2010
DEVELOPMENT OF URBAN TRANSPORT SYSTEM
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Indian Institutes of Technology (IIT) and other premier technology institutions have been involved in planning and development of the urban transport system;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any Memorandum of Understanding has been signed with such institutions in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether any consultation with the State Governments has been held to implement the action plan being formulated by the Government to make the urban transport system smooth; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY)

(a) to (f): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (f) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 99 FOR 30.7.2010 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF URBAN TRANSPORT SYSTEM

(a) & (b): Four institutions viz. Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Delhi, Indian Institute of Technology, Madras, Centre for Environment Planning & Technology (CEPT) University, Ahmedabad and National Institute of Technology, Warangal, chosen as Centres of Excellence in the areas of Urban Transport by the Ministry, have been engaged in urban transport planning and education and are also to assist cities in planning and development of urban transport systems.

(c) & (d): Memoranda of Understanding (MoU) have been signed with Centres of Excellence on 21st June, 2010. The MOU covers subjects such as the annual action plan, modalities for release of grant to the institutions, monitoring mechanism, provision of technical advice to Ministry and States/Urban Local Bodies, applied research etc.

(e) & (f): Consultation with States is a continuous process while implementing any scheme/ plan at the State level. Such consultations are held on regular basis.