

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:283
ANSWERED ON:13.08.2010
AMENITIES FOR SMALL TOWNS
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has a policy to sustain the development in already developed cities and towns and channelise more funds for the development of smaller towns into cities with all modern amenities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the towns included for the planned development in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.283 FOR ANSWER ON 13.8.2010 REGARDING AMENITIES FOR SMALL TOWNS

(a) to (c) : Urban Development is a state subject and it is the responsibility of the State Governments to take up sustainable development of cities/towns. However, in order to help cope with massive challenges that have emerged as a result of rapid urban growth, causing tremendous pressure on urban basic services and infrastructure, the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) was launched on 3rd December 2005 for integrated development of infrastructure services in the cities with effective linkage between asset creation and asset management. In order to ensure the sustainability of cities/towns and for effective delivery of services and utilities to the citizens, it has been made mandatory on States and Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) to implement urban sector reforms within the Mission period of seven years from 2005-2012. 65 cities have been included under Urban Infrastructure and Governance (UIG) component of the Mission. The remaining cities/towns as per Census 2001 are eligible to be covered under the Scheme of Urban Infrastructure Development Scheme for Small and Medium Towns (UIDSSMT). With a view to reduce pressure on seven mega cities covered under JNNURM another Scheme viz. Urban Infrastructure Development Scheme for Satellite Towns has been launched in 2009-10.

The list of cities covered under UIG component of JNNURM is enclosed at Annexure-I. The cities/towns in which funds are released for approved under UIDSSMT are at Annexure-II. The names of Satellite towns identified are at Annexure-III.