## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA URBAN DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4385 ANSWERED ON:20.08.2010 SUSTAINABLE URBAN TRANSPORT PROJECT Kumar Shri P.

## Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has initiated the Sustainable Urban Transport Project with assistance from the Global Environment Facility, the World Bank and the United Nations Development Programme;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the total allocation proposed for this programme;

(c) whether some funds already provided under the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission have not been utilized;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the reaction of the Government thereto?

## Answer

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

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): The Government has launched the Sustainable Urban Transport Project at an estimated cost of Rs.1439.01 crore. The proposal involves grant from Global Environment Facility(GEF) through the World Bank and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and loan from the World Bank to the cities through the concerned State Governments as well as Central assistance under the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JnNURM), Urban Transport Planning and Capacity Building Schemes and contribution by States and implementing agencies.

The main objectives of the Sustainable Urban Transport Project are:-

(i) to strengthen capacity of Government of India, States and cities in planning, financing, operating and managing sustainable urban transport systems; and

(ii) to assist participating States and cities in preparing and implementing demonstration "Green Transport" projects (GT projects).

The project cities are Indore, Mysore, Pimpri-Chinchwad, Pune and Naya Raipur. More cities can join the project in future on 'moving train' concept.

(c) to (e): The Sustainable Urban Transport Project was formally launched on 9th June, 2010. The project is at the initial stage of implementation and therefore, the question of non-utilization of funds for this project under the JnNURM does not arise at present.