

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
URBAN DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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BEAUTIFICATION OF METRO CITIES  
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**Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any plan to beautify the metro cities of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, Metro-wise; and
- (c) the time by which the beautification/upgradation work in metro cities are likely to be started?

**Answer**

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

(a)to(c): No, Madam. The Government has not formulated any specific scheme or plan to beautify the metro cities. However, keeping in view the rapid urban growth exerting tremendous pressure on urban basic services and infrastructure, the Government has launched Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) on 3rd December, 2005 for a period of seven years from 2005-2006 to 2011-2012 for provision of civic infrastructure. The 65 cities including 4 metro cities viz Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata and Chennai have been selected for implementation of the Urban Infrastructure and Governance component under JNNURM.

As on 30.06.2009, 463 projects have been approved at a total project cost of Rs.49743.46 crores with admissible Additional Central Assistance of Rs.23548.32 crore have been committed and Rs.8305.40 crore has been released to State Governments for improvement of urban infrastructure of the selected cities.