

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:263
ANSWERED ON:15.03.2011
URBAN INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether growth in the urban population in the country has outstripped the available basic urban services and infrastructure;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the Government has launched any scheme for developing urban infrastructure in the major cities and town in the States; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the details of the assistance provided to various States/cities including Maharashtra/Mumbai?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT(SHRI KAMAL NATH)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) to (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 263 POSITION 3RD FOR ANSWER ON 15-03-2011 REGARDING URBAN INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS.

(a): Yes, Madam. The Urban Population in Indian cities is growing at a rapid pace. The Census of India has estimated that by 2026 the Urban Population would rise to around 535 million or 38.2% of the total population, up from the figure of 285.35 million (27.8% of the total population) in 2001. The increasing Urban Population imposes tremendous pressure on Urban basic services and infrastructure.

(b)to(d): To address the problem, Government has launched Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) on 03-12-2005. Under the Urban Infrastructure & Governance (UIG) component of JNNURM, the Government has taken up reforms driven and fast track development of 65 select cities across the country. The list of cities is at Annexure-I. The Mission seeks to ensure sustainable development of these cities by focusing on efficiency in urban infrastructure, service delivery mechanisms, community participation and accountability of Urban Local Bodies and Parastatal agencies towards citizens. Details of assistance provided to the States/Cities under UIG including Maharashtra/Mumbai is at Annexure-II.