

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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CITY BUSES UNDER JNNURM
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Union Government has allocated funds to various States in the country for purchase of city buses under the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission(JNNURM);
- (b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years, State-wise;
- (c) whether many of the State have not properly utilized / diverted the funds allocated by the Union Government for the purpose; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Union Government thereon?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. Under the second stimulus package announced by the Government of India in January, 2009, the States as a one-time measure have been provided financial assistance for purchase of buses for their urban transport system under the scheme for providing central financial assistance for procurement of buses for urban transport under Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JnNURM). The financing is meant exclusively for City Bus Service and Bus Rapid Transit System (BRTS) for all mission cities.

Government of India had approved an amount of Rs.2088.80 crore as Additional Central Assistance (ACA) as an estimate based on the State governments request for procurement of 15260 buses under JnNURM for urban transport system in 61 mission cities. Out of this estimated amount, Rs.1346.91 crore (approx) has been released to the States / UTs and 12772 buses have been procured. Details of State-wise admissible Additional Central Assistance (ACA) and releases of funds are enclosed as ANNEXURE.

(c): No, Madam. Only Government of Bihar (for Bodh Gaya and Patna city) has not furnished any information regarding procurement of buses against the funds released as 1st installment to them.

(d): Ministry of Urban Development has written to the State Government of Bihar to inform their intention towards procurement of buses sanctioned under JnNURM or the grants already released may be treated as cancelled and withdrawn.