

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether urbanisation is increasing rapidly in various States of the country;
- (b) if so, the State-wise details thereof;
- (c) whether the burden of slums on the cities is also continuously increasing due to increasing urbanisation and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is taking any steps towards town planning keeping in view of the increasing pressure on the cities; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SMT. DEEPA DASMUNSHI)

- (a) & (b): Yes Madam. There is an increase in urbanisation in various states of the Country as is reflected from the data given state-wise, in Annexure-I.
- (c): The burden of slums on the cities is increasing as housing has become unaffordable proposition and majority of migrants tend to settle down in slums.
- (d) & (e): The responsibility of formulating Master Plans and updating them vests with the Town and Country Planning Departments of State Governments, Urban Development Authorities and Urban Local Bodies of cities under the provisions of the relevant State Acts. Ministry of Urban Development has already advised the state governments and Union Territories on the need for expeditious preparation of Master Plans.