

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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WORLD BANK LOAN FOR URBAN INFRASTRUCTURE

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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to seek loan assistance from World Bank for India's urban sector/to fund urban infrastructure projects under the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission(JNNURM);
- (b) if so, the details and the present status thereof;
- (c) whether the Planning Commission has given its approval in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): Ministry of Urban Development has taken an initiative to get World Bank assistance for Urban Sector Projects. The Planning Commission has conveyed its approval to the Preliminary Project Report (PPR) with suggestions relating inter-alia to the scope of urban services to be covered, eligibility of Urban Local Bodies (ULBs), and focus on Capacity building. The proposal has been forwarded to Department of Economic Affairs which has recommended the proposal to the World Bank for a loan assistance upto \$1 billion.