

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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RURBAN MISSION

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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has launched Rurban Mission in the country to fill the rural and urban divide across the country;
- (b) if so, the aims and objectives of the Mission and its salient features including the funds allocated for the purpose;
- (c) whether the Ministry has since prepared its blueprint, if so, the details thereof including the projects identified under the Mission; and
- (d) whether the Government has also sought the views from the States in this regard and if so, the details thereof including the response of the States?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

- (a) to (c) Yes Madam, the Government proposes to develop rural clusters in the country under Shyama Prasad Mukherji Rurban Mission (SPMRM), with the objective of improving the quality of life of the people in the cluster, bridging the rural urban divide and reducing migration from rural to urban areas. For 2015-16 budget estimate for SPMRM is Rs.300 crore.
- (d) Yes Madam. The Government had sought the views from the States on the draft scheme and based on the replies received, the relevant comments have been suitably incorporated in the EFC Note.