

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether sanitation levels in the urban areas is reportedly not at par with international level and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (b) the details of the financial and other assistance provided by the Government for improving sanitation levels during each of the last three years and current year, city, year and State-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU)

(a): Different countries have adopted their own methods of defining sanitation. Public Health and Sanitation in urban areas is a State subject as per the Constitution of India. Many cities and Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) are not having adequate financial resources to provide adequate sanitation facilities to cope up with the pace of urbanisation coupled with lack of awareness among people about the sanitation and its linkage with public and environmental health.

(b) &(c): Ministry of Urban Development supplements the efforts of State Governments/ Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) for improving sanitation levels through various schemes, like Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) consisting of UIG & UIDSSMT components (which has come to an end on 31.3.2014), 10% Lumpsum scheme for North Eastern Region, Urban Infrastructure Development in satellite towns around seven mega cities (UIDSST) and Asian Development Bank assisted North Eastern Region Urban Development Programme(NERUDP). The statewise detail of Central funds sanctioned to States during the last 3 years and current year are given at Annexure I to Annexure V.