GOVERNMENT OF INDIA URBAN DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5242 ANSWERED ON:05.04.2017 Smart Cities Patle Smt. Kamla Devi;Yeddyurappa Shri B. S.

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of proposals/projects received by the Government from various States under the smart cities scheme during the last three years and the current year, State and project-wise;
- (b) the number, out of them, cleared;
- (c) the number of proposals still pending, project and State-wise and the reasons for such pendency along with the time by which these pending proposals are likely to be cleared;
- (d) whether the Government has achieved the targets set under smart cities scheme and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) If not, the reasons therefor and the action taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a): The selection process of Smart Cities is based on the idea of Competitive and Co-operative Federalism and follows a Challenge process to select cities in two stages.

In Stage I, all States/UTs shortlisted potential Smart Cities as per the allocation criteria given in the Smart Cities Mission Statement and Guidelines. On this basis 98 potential Smart Cities were announced in August, 2015 to participate in Stage II. Further, on the basis of requests received from States, 12 new potential Smart Cities have also been included to participate in All India Competition (Stage II) of the Smart City Challenge Process. The lists are enclosed at Annexure-I and II.

- 97 potential Smart Cities in Round I, 23 potential Smart Cities in Fast Track Round and 63 potential Smart Cities in Round II participated in the selection process. The details are enclosed at Annexure-III, IV & V.
- (b): So far, 60 cities (20 cities in Round I in January, 2016, 13 cities in fast track round in May, 2016 and 27 cities in Round II in September, 2016) have been selected. The lists of these cities are enclosed at Annexure-VI, VII & VIII.
- (c): The remaining cities will have to participate in Round III with their upgraded Smart City Proposals. The Smart City Proposals for Round III of the Challenge have to be submitted by the Cities by 31st March 2017. Thereafter, the selection of the Smart cities will be announced based on evaluation of the proposals.
- (d): Government has achieved the target as set out in the Cabinet Note of Smart Cities Mission. In the first year of implementation, i.e. 2015-16, 20 Smart Cities were selected and in the second year of implementation, i.e. 2016-17, 40 Smart Cities have been selected.
- (e): Does not arise.
