

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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GROWING CITIES
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether cities are growing rapidly in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) the average annual growth rate of cities in the country during the last one decade;
- (d) whether the pace of development of basic amenities is commensurate with growing urbanization; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

(a) & (b): The growth of cities is ascertained by increase in level of urbanization. It is increasing rapidly in some of the states like Andhra Pradesh, Goa, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Mizoram and Tamil Nadu. All these states have more than 30% of the total population is urban. The most urbanized States in the country are Goa-62.17%, Mizoram- 51.51%, Tamil Nadu-48.45%, Kerala-47.72%, Maharashtra-45.23% and Gujarat 42.53%. All these states are likely to exceed 50% urbanization by 2021.

The State Wise percentage of Urbanization as per 2011 census is given in Annexure I

The State-wise increase in Urbanization during 1971-2011 is given in Annexure-II

(c): The average growth rate of urbanization taking all the cities and towns during the last decade i.e., 2001-11 is 3.11%.

(d): It is often difficult to match the pace of development of basic amenities commensurate with growing urbanization and as per Census of India, 2011:

- (i) 70.6% of urban households have access to tap water
- (ii) 18.2% of urban households have no drainage facility
- (iii) 18.6% of the urban households do not have latrine facility within premises
- (iv) 7.3 % of urban households do not have power connection.

(e): In order to strengthen urban infrastructure, Government is in process of finalizing the following Schemes:

- (i) Smart City Scheme for 100 cities
- (ii) Urban Renewal Scheme for 500 Cities
- (ii) HRIDAY Scheme for developing and strengthening urban infrastructure for the cities with heritage and touristic importance.