

M.R.T.S. for Delhi

2560. SHRI P. UPENDRA:
Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a scheme under Government's consideration to attract unaccounted money from private parties for the Mass Rapid Transit System (MRTS) for Delhi;

(b) if so, what are the details of the scheme; and

(c) by when the scheme is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN
DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.
ARUNACHALAM) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Metropolitan cities in the country

2561. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether some more cities of country have been declared as metropolitan cities;

(b) if so, their names with norms for such declaration;

(c) whether Government propose to declare some of cities of Uttar Pradesh as metropolitan city of country;

(d) if so, the details thereof with programmes drawn up in this regard; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor and steps to be taken to declare atleast one city as metropolitan city?

THE MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN
DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.
ARUNACHALAM) : (a) to (e) In the Census, Metropolitan cities as such are not defined. However, Cities/Urban Agglomerations with a population of one million and above are normally referred to as Metropolitan areas. As per the Provisional Population figures of 1991 Census there are 23 Metropolitan Cities (With a population of more than 1 million) as against 12 Metropolitan cities in 1981 and 9 Metropolitan cities in 1971. A list of Metropolitan cities during the years 1971, 1981 and 1991 is in statement (See below). It will be observed from this list that there are 3 Metropolitan Cities in Uttar Pradesh viz. Kanpur, Lucknow and Varanasi as per the 1991 Census as against two as per 1981 Census and one as per 1971 Census.

Statement**List of Metropolitan cities in India ***

| 1971 | 1981 | 1991* |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Calcutta | 1. Calcutta | 1. Calcutta |
| 2. Greater Bombay | 2. Greater Bombay | 2. Greater Bombay |
| 3. Delhi | 3. Delhi | 3. Delhi |
| 4. Madras | 4. Madras | 4. Madras |
| 5. Hyderabad | 5. Hyderabad | 5. Hyderabad |
| 6. Bangalore | 6. Bangalore | 6. Bangalore |

*Provision