

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. The State Government of Gujarat has requested for inclusion of Porbandar and Karamsad. Porbandar has been included as Mission City under JNNURM. However, Government has decided to restrict the number of cities covered under JNNURM to around 60. Karamsad can avail funds through Urban Infrastructure Development Scheme for Small and Medium Towns (UIDSSMT) under JNNURM.

Procurement of buses and extension of roads under JNNURM

†2220. SHRI SHIVANAND TIWARI:
SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a national level scheme to procure buses for improving public transport system had been formulated under Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM);

(b) if so, the outline of the scheme, and the number and value of buses, the provision for procurement of which was made under this scheme;

(c) whether extension of roads has been planned before procurement of buses for improving the public transport system; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SAUGATA ROY): (a) and (b) Under the second stimulus package announced by the Government on 02.01.2009, as a one time measure upto 30.06.2009, this Ministry has launched a scheme for funding of procurement of buses meant for Urban Transport Systems under JNNURM for the mission cities.

The scheme is exclusively for urban transport *i.e.* city bus service and/or BRTS for the city/urban area for which buses are procured.

So far, 15260 buses have been sanctioned for 61 mission cities across the country at a total estimated cost of Rs. 4735.50 crore (approximately) out of which admissible Central Assistance is estimated as Rs. 2093.28 crore.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

World bank loans

2221. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether World Bank has assured India of providing a loan amounting to Rs. 25,000 Crores for urban development;

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