

(a) whether there is a proposal under consideration with the Ministry in regard to declaration of metro status to Ahmedabad city within the stipulated time limit;

(b) if so, the salient features of the declaration with provisions made and further benefits to Ahmedabad as metro city;

(c) the estimated area to be covered under Urban Agglomeration;
and

(d) by when the decision will be taken in this regard and implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SAUGATA RAY): (a) There is no proposal under consideration with the Ministry to declare Ahmedabad as having metro status.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(d) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

Life span of water supply pipeline

2068. SHRIMATI JHARNA DAS BAIDYA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the average life span of water supply pipeline in the cities and how old are the present pipelines laid in Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai and other cities; and

(b) how much of them need to be replaced, city-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SAUGATA RAY): (a) Urban Water Supply is a State subject and it is the responsibility of the State Governments / Urban Local Bodies (ULBs)/State Government Departments to plan, design, execute, operate and maintain water supply projects. Ministry does not maintain data on life span or age of water supply pipelines in cities. However, the Manual on Water Supply & Treatment (1999) published by the Ministry mentions the design period of pipelines as 30years.

(b) Does not arise.