Statement

(a) to (c) Urban Planning/Development is a State subject. Ministry of Urban Development has issued Urban Development Plan Formulation and Implementation Guidelines for guidance in the matter. These guidelines specify percentages of open spaces that may be kept aside for recreation local parks, playgrounds etc. required at various levels like district level and city level. It is for the concerned Urban Local Bodies/State Governments to take decisions on such matters based on the Master Plans/Development Plans formulated under relevant State Acts.

श्री अनिल माधव दवे: सभापित जी, मैं आपके माध्यम से अरबन डेवलपमेंट मिनिस्टर साहब से यह पूछना चाहता हूं कि देश के शहरों के विकास के लिए जो उनका नक्शा बनता है, जो उनकी प्लानिंग होती है, उसके अन्दर बगीचों और खेल के मैदानों की जो स्थिति है....

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED QUESTIONS

Investment for urban infrastructure

*526. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a High Powered Expert Committee (HPEC) appointed by the Government has estimated that there is a requirement of an investment to the tune of \$39 billion over the next twenty years for the improvement of urban infrastructure, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether Government has formulated any comprehensive plan to meet the required amount, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.VENKAIAH NAIDU): (a) A High Powered Expert Committee (HPEC) for estimating the investment requirement for urban infrastructure services had been constituted. The HPEC had estimated a requirement of ₹39.2 lakh crore at 2009-10 prices for urban infrastructure over a 20-year period. This includes ₹17.3 lakh crore for urban roads, ₹8.00 lakh crore for delivering urban services such as water, sewerage, solid waste management and storm water drains and ₹ 4.00 lakh crore for investment in renewal and redevelopment including slums.

(b) The Government is considering the launch of a new Urban Development Mission which will take into consideration the recommendation of HPEC.