

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO) : (a) The Government of India has launched Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) with the objective to develop basic urban infrastructure including provision of sewerage system in 500 cities/towns in the country.

(b) The Mission guidelines stipulate submission of State Annual Action Plan (SAAP) for taking up development activities. No SAAP has been received from the State Government of Rajasthan.

(c) Does not arise.

#### **Smart cities in Tamil Nadu**

462. SHRIMATI SASIKALA PUSHPA : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any plan to develop smart cities;

(b) if so, the details thereof, *vis-à-vis* existing schemes for developing the cities, the criteria laid down to develop such smart cities; and

(c) details of the cities shortlisted in the State of Tamil Nadu for developing smart cities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The “Smart Cities Mission” for development of 100 smart cities was launched on 25th June, 2015. The Mission Statement & Guidelines were also released during the event and are available on Ministry’s website (*moud.gov.in*). The selection of Smart Cities follows a Challenge (competition) process. In the Stage-I of the Competition, the States including Tamil Nadu, have to shortlist cities based on the criteria given in the Guidelines. Thereafter, the shortlisted cities have to compete in an All India Contest.

#### **Upgrading of basic infrastructure in cities**

463. SHRI BAISHNAB PARIDA : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is smart city project and how has it been implemented in the country;

(b) what are the details of cities that have since been earmarked for this project;

(c) what is new urban renewal mission and what is its present status; and

(d) how far will this help in upgrading the basic infrastructure in the cities in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO) : (a) and (b) The Smart Cities Mission has been launched with an objective to promote sustainable and inclusive cities that provide core infrastructure and give a decent quality of life to its citizens, a clean and sustainable environment and application of 'Smart' Solutions to improve services and infrastructure. The selection of Smart Cities follows a Challenge (competition) process. In Stage 1, the States are shortlisting cities through an intra-state competition. In turn, the shortlisted cities will participate in an All India Competition in Stage 2.

(c) and (d) The Government of India has launched a new Mission *i.e.* Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) to develop basic urban infrastructure- water supply, sewerage, septage management, storm water drains, urban transport and development of green spaces and parks with special provision for child-friendly components in the 500 cities/towns under the Mission. The Mission Statement & Guidelines has been published and are available on Ministry's website (*moud.gov.in*). Now, the State Annual Action Plan (SAAP) to upgrade the basic infrastructure has to be prepared by the States/UTs.

#### **Second phase of Jaipur metro**

†464. SHRI RAM NARAIN DUDI : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to provide assistance to the metro rail projects, if so, the details of the financial assistance provided to various metro projects in various states;

(b) the quantum of the financial assistance given by Government to the Jaipur metro till date, the details thereof;

(c) whether the centre has developed any plan for the construction of the second phase of the Jaipur metro, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether Government intends to expand the first phase of Jaipur metro, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO) : (a) Central Government provides financial assistance to the

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.