

Expenditure on SCM

484. SHRI AHAMED HASSAN: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Smart Cities Mission (SCM) has not been successful in the identified cities;

(b) if so, the details of amount allocated and expenditure made during 2017-18, State-wise; and

(c) the details of expenditure incurred during the current fiscal year under the Mission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS (SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI): (a) No, Sir.

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

(c) During the year 2018-19, ₹ 5,057.80 crore have been released by the Ministry to the States for Smart cities.

Mechanism for improving urban landscape

485. SHRI AHAMED HASSAN: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has adopted any mechanism for improving urban landscape in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of measures taken for management of urban sewers in NDMC area?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS (SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI): (a) and (b) Urban Development is a State subject. Improvement of urban landscape comes within the purview of respective urban local bodies.

(c) Sewer management in New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) area is fully mechanized. Preventive desilting is being done through Jetting-Cum-Suction Sewer Cleaning Machines with Water Recycling Technology. De-choking of sewer blockage/stagnation/routine desilting etc. is being done by Pressure Jetting Machine-Cum-Sewer Suction Machine and by using Manhole Desilting machine. Rehabilitation of old sewer