### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS RAJYA SABHA

## UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1836 TO BE ANSWERED ON MARCH 10, 2021

### NATIONAL URBAN INNOVATION STACK

# NO. 1836. SHRI SANJAY SETH: SHRI RAJEEV SATAV:

Will the Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has started a new programme under the name of National Urban Innovation Stack;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the aims and objectives behind starting the programme;
- (c) the achievement made by the programme since its inception;
- (d) whether the Ministry has partnered with any private entity for the proposal or implementation of the National Urban Innovation Stack and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the current status of the National Urban Innovation Stack and whether any deadline has been set for its development?

#### **ANSWER**

# THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS (SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) has started a programme with the name of National Urban Digital Mission (NUDM). It comprises *inter alia* the development of the National Urban Innovation Stack (NUIS) as a shared digital infrastructure, comprising of a set of software building blocks as well as reference applications for most-needed egovernance solutions in the urban context.

MoHUA released the NUIS strategy and approach document in February, 2019. NUIS is envisioned as a digital public good that will enable different stakeholders to collaboratively design, create and implement innovative solutions to urban problems. Post release of the strategy and approach document, a number of expert consultations and workshops were conducted. Technical Implementation Guidelines were issued in June 2020 and a NUIS Digital Blueprint was created as part of this exercise. The key platforms envisioned under NUIS include India Urban Data Exchange (IUDX), National Urban Learning Platform (NULP), Citizen-Centric Smart Governance (CCSG) among others. A Centre for Digital Governance (CDG) has been created at the National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA) to anchor the execution of NUDM.

- (d): No, Sir. At present, Ministry has not partnered with any private entity for the proposal or implementation of NUIS.
- (e): The development and implementation of NUIS is a component of NUDM which was approved by the Ministry on 23.2.2021. The completion of NUDM to enable e-governance services in all cities and towns is scheduled upto 2025-26.