GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1345

TO BE ANSWERED ON DECEMBER 19, 2022

PUBLIC-PRIVATE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FOR GOVERNMENT SCHEMES

NO. 1345. SHRI R. GIRIRAJAN: SHRI S. KALYANASUNDARAM: SHRI M. MOHAMED ABDULLA:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware of the fact that Public-Private Community Partnership (PPCP) can be explored for initiating projects such as the adoption of parks, rejuvenation of water bodies, conversion of parking to parks, zero-waste wards, technology innovations, and increased access to Government schemes; and
- (b) the steps proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

(SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) Atal Mission for Rejuvenation & Urban Transformation (AMRUT) mission advocates the States/UTs to explore the possibilities of using Public Private Partnership (PPP) & include appropriate Service Level Agreements (SLAs) with strong citizen feedback leading to People Public Private Partnership (PPPP) model. For maintenance of parks, playground and recreational areas created under Mission, Mission advocates involvement of Resident Welfare Associations (RWAs).

Technology sub-mission under the AMRUT mission encourages entrepreneurships/start-ups involvement to identify the proven and potential global technologies. Under mission Amrit Sarovar, youth and community have been involved for creating awareness and rejuvenating traditional water bodies for ensuring water security of cities. So far, 423 students from 184 institutes have started working on 234 water bodies. Mission advocates to co-opt women and youth for concurrent feedbacks about the mission's progress, where women Self Help Groups (SHGs) is to be involved in water demand management, water quality testing and water infrastructure operations. Mission envisages evidence-based evaluation of outcomes through gig economy by involving students for survey of projects and their outputs.

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Smart Cities Mission is a centrally sponsored scheme, which promotes PPP projects to be undertaken in the 100 Smart cities. Out of the total 2,05,018 Crore worth projects, 21% of the projects were proposed to be developed with PPP in the vision. There has been a notable success in this regard, with 240 PPP projects worth around 18,657 Crore have been completed/ongoing. These include projects on affordable housing, public bike sharing system, water supply, sanitation, etc. The Ministry is actively supporting the cities to develop more and more urban infrastructure with innovative financing and participation like PPP mode.

Under Swachh Bharat Mission - Urban (SBM-U) 2.0, provisions have been made to encourage adoption of locally innovated, cost-effective technology solutions and business models in sanitation and solid waste management by startups. Under SBM creating garbage management has been a people centric activity. There have been large numbers of cases of participation of Resident Welfare Associations (RWAs), Self Help Groups (SHGs), Non Governmental Organizations (NGOs) etc. in various activities of source segregation and waste processing etc. for the purpose of waste free wards.

Missions / Schemes / Programmes of Central government encourage people's participation and community participation for achieving success of the efforts and better utilization of funds allocated. Various state governments are also encouraging Community participation in government schemes / programmes.
