

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
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IMPLEMENTATION OF SMART CITIES MISSION (SCM)

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

- (a) whether Government has taken any measures to address the slow progress of SCM and strengthen Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) capacity in small cities, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether measures have been taken to expand and develop pan city projects; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI TOKHAN SAHU)

(a) & (b): As per the data provided by 100 Smart Cities, as of 12th July, 2024, a total of 7,218 projects amounting to ₹1,45,083 crore (90% of total projects) have been completed.

The Ministry has a multi-level review structure to expedite the progress of projects under Smart Cities Mission (SCM). At State level, Mission implementation is monitored by the State Level High Powered Steering Committee (HPSC) chaired by the Chief Secretary. At the National level, implementation is monitored by an Apex Committee headed by Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA). Nominee Directors of MoHUA on the Boards of SPVs monitor progress in respective cities on a regular basis. MoHUA also regularly interacts with the States / Smart Cities through video conferences, review meetings, field visits, regional workshops, CEOs Conference etc. at various levels to assess the performance of the 100 smart cities / ULBs and handhold them for improving the same, wherever required.

(c) & (d): As per SCM guidelines “Pan-city development” envisages application of selected Smart Solutions to the existing city-wide infrastructure. This entails use of technology, information and data to make infrastructure and services, better for all citizens. Smart Cities have implemented several pan-city projects including, *inter alia*, monitoring of SWM collection vehicles, Intelligent Traffic Management System (ITMS), implementation of Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) for water supply, Light Emitting Diode (LED) street lights projects to reduce energy consumption, projects for production of green energy, Integrated Command and Control Centre (ICCC), and enhancement of public safety through installation of cameras and Artificial Intelligence (AI) interpretation frameworks, provision of e-buses for upgradation of public transport, Variable Message Display (VMD). As on 12th July, 2024, a total of 2,961 pan city projects, amounting to ₹67,416 crore have been implemented in SCM.
