

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.220**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON FEBRUARY 03, 2021
SCM BENEFITS TO MARGINALIZED SECTION**

NO. 220 SHRI SANJAY SINGH:

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

- (a) the number of 'smart city' projects sanctioned and completed, the details thereof;
- (b) the total expenditure on these projects; and
- (c) the details of the projects that directly benefit the most marginalized and low-income groups in cities and urban areas?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS**

(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

- (a) & (b) Government of India launched the Smart Cities Mission (SCM) on 25 June 2015 for development of 100 cities as Smart Cities. The selection of 100 Smart Cities has been completed through 4 rounds of selection from January 2016 to June 2018. A total of 5,151 projects worth of Rs. 2,05,018 crore were proposed by the 100 Smart Cities as part of their Smart City Proposals (SCPs) that are under various stages of implementation. The Smart Cities are expected to complete their projects within five years from their date of selection.

As on 22 January 2021, 5,416 projects worth Rs. 1,76,908 crore (86%) have been tendered, out of which 4,628 projects worth Rs.1,41,600 crore (69%) are under implementation/completed. The Central Government has released Rs.22,822.33 crore as Central share to the 100 Smart Cities, out of which Rs. 18,403 crore (81%) has been utilized by Smart Cities.

- (c) Under SCM, the focus is on sustainable and inclusive development. The purpose of the Mission is to drive economic growth and improve quality of life of people by enabling local area development and harnessing technology. SCM has adopted a two-pronged strategy-Area Based Development (ABD) and Pan City Development. Under ABD, compact areas are taken up for comprehensive development of physical, social, institutional and economic infrastructure, through one or more greenfield/retrofitting/redevelopment models. Pan City Development envisages application of smart solutions in a city-wide manner including components such as, but not limited to, Integrated Command and Control Centres, smart solutions for solid waste management, parking, clean environment, flood management, governance and improvement in citizen services etc. The Mission is implementing projects in diverse areas such as mobility, built environment, non-motorized and public transport, water and wastewater, renewable energy, solid waste management, affordable housing, safety and security of citizens, health and education. Comprehensive development through a combination of area-based and pan-city approaches will improve quality of life, create employment and enhance income for all, especially the most marginalized and low-income groups in cities and urban areas.
