GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

RAJYA SABHA UN-STARRED QUESTION NO. 1186 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.03.2020

Identification of non-attainment cities

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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that according to Government data available in 2017, 241 nonattainment cities have been identified;
- (b) if so, reasons why only 122 cities have been categorised as non-attainment cities; and
- (c) the effectiveness of the process in these cities, so far?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

(a) to (c)

Based on the ambient air quality (AAQ) data for the period of 2011-15, 102 cities were originally identified as non-attainment cities (NA) cities exceeding the national ambient air quality standard for consecutive five years. Subsequently, considering the data for the period 2014-18, 20 additional cities have been identified as NA cities.

Under the NCAP, city specific action plans have been prepared for ground implementation in 102 NA cities. All 20 NA cities, added in the list subsequently, are required to prepare city action plans targeting all major city specific sources of pollution (Soil & Road Dust, Vehicles, Domestic Fuel, MSW Burning, Construction Material and Industries, etc.) with short, mid and long term action.
