

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3106
TO BE ANSWERED ON AUGUST 07, 2025**

PROGRESS OF SMART CITIES MISSION IN ANDHRA PRADESH

NO. 3106. SHRI Y S AVINASH REDDY:

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

- (a) whether the Smart Cities Mission (SCM) has achieved its objectives of promoting cities by providing core infrastructure, a decent quality of life for citizens, a clean and sustainable environment and application of 'smart' solutions and if so, the details of total projects completed so far in Andhra Pradesh;**
- (b) whether the mission indeed launched a platform in 2022 named Smart Cities and Academia towards Action and Research (SAAR) to bring together academia and the Government to document and research new urban initiatives and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether it is true that twenty-nine premier institutions in the country have undertaken fifty impact assessment studies, and twelve specialised research institutes; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof, particularly in the State of Andhra Pradesh along with the funds sanctioned and utilised and the targets achieved so far?**

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
(SHRI TOKHAN SAHU)**

- (a) Cities under the Smart Cities Mission (SCM) have been developed based on Smart City Proposals (SCPs) received from States/UTs across various sectors viz. smart mobility, Water, Sanitation, Hygiene (WASH), smart governance, smart energy, environment etc., duly approved by State High Powered Steering Committee (HPSC).**

As on July 31, 2025, out of a total 8063 projects amounting to ₹1,64,695 Cr undertaken in the 100 cities selected under SCM, 7,636 projects (95% of total projects) amounting to ₹1,53,977 Cr have been completed and the remaining 427 projects amounting to ₹10,718 Cr are ongoing.

Four smart cities, viz., Amaravati, Kakinada, Tirupati and Visakhapatnam have been selected under SCM in the State of Andhra Pradesh. As on July 31, 2025, out of a total of 280 projects amounting to ₹6,589 Cr undertaken under SCM in the State of Andhra Pradesh, 236 projects (84% of total projects) amounting to ₹5,701 Cr have been completed and the remaining 44 projects amounting to ₹888 Cr are ongoing. City-wise progress of projects in the 4 cities selected under SCM in the State of Andhra Pradesh are at Annexure.

- (b) The Mission launched a platform in 2022, named ‘Smart Cities & Academia towards Action & Research (SAAR)’ program, a joint initiative of Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA), National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA) and leading Indian academic institutions of the country to bridge the gap between academia and Government and document and research new urban initiatives. 91 urban projects/ activities with the idea to showcase country’s best practices and on-ground achievements were undertaken which have since been published.**
- (c) In addition, under the SAAR initiatives, SCM has initiated 50 Impact Assessment research studies as “Sameeksha Series” with 29 premier institutions of India.**
- (d) In Andhra Pradesh, as on July 31, 2025, all the four cities have been able to claim Central Financial Assistance of ₹1,860 Cr (i.e. 95% of the total Central share allocation) and reported to have utilized ₹1,840 Cr (i.e. 99% of the total Central share claimed). The details of physical and financial progress of these four smart cities are at Annexure.**

Annexure

Reply to part (a) and (d) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3106 for answer on 07.08.2025 regarding Progress of Smart Cities Mission in Andhra Pradesh

City-wise Physical and Financial Progress of Projects undertaken in 4 Smart Cities of the State of Andhra Pradesh

(Amount in ₹ Cr)

State/ City	Total Central Assistance Claimed	Utilization of Central Assistance claimed	Total		Completed		Ongoing	
			Project	Amount	Project	Amount	Project	Amount
Andhra Pradesh	1860	1840.49	280	6589.01	236	5700.65	44	888.36
Amaravati	488	488	19	902.94	14	746	5	156.94
Kakinada	490	485	92	1908.09	80	1731.17	12	176.92
Tirupati	392	388.02	104	2082.75	79	1610.65	25	472.1
Visakhapatnam	490	479.47	65	1695.23	63	1612.83	2	82.4

As per information provided by States / UTs as on July 31, 2025.