

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
LOK SABHA**

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DECLARATION OF CITIES AS MEGA CITIES
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some State Governments have submitted any proposals for declaring some of their cities as mega cities;
- (b) if so, the names of those cities; and
- (c) the city-wise details of efforts so far been made by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b)&(c): The cities of Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai, Hyderabad & Bangalore were included in the Mega City Scheme, on the criteria of having a population of 40 lakhs and above as per 1991 census. The proposal of Government of Gujarat to include Ahmedabad could not be accepted as the population of Ahmedabad was less than 40 lakhs as per 1991 census.