

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
URBAN DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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INVESTMENT ON CITY INFRASTRUCTURE  
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**Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government is giving top priority for investment in the city infrastructure;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is encouraging public-private partnership for investment in the city infrastructure;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the other steps taken/being taken in this regard?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT ( SHRI AJAY MAKEN )

(a): The Government of India has launched Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) on 3rd December 2005 to provide reforms linked central assistance for development of infrastructure in select 63 cities. 62 of these cities have already prepared comprehensive City Development Plan (CDPs), charting out their long-term vision and goals in urban governance and development. These plans also include investment plans, with a focus on provision of city-wide urban infrastructure services such as water supply, sanitation, drainage and provision of basic services to the urban poor.

(b)to(d): Yes, Sir. Guidelines of Sub-Mission-I (Urban Infrastructure and Governance) provide that the projects with private sector participation will be given priority over projects to be executed by ULBs/Parastatals themselves, as this will help leverage private capital and bring in efficiencies.