

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:208
ANSWERED ON:20.07.2004
DEVELOPMENT OF COUNTER MAGNET CITY
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government had taken a decision some time back to develop `Counter Magnet City` in some parts of the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the progress made therein, so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a)&(b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 208 FOR 20.7.2004 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF COUNTER MAGNET CITY

(a)&(b): The National Capital Region Planning Board (NCRPB) had identified the following cities to function as Counter Magnet Areas in the Regional Plan 2001:-

- i) Kota (Rajasthan)
- ii) Hissar (Haryana)
- iii) Bareilly (Uttar Pradesh)
- iv) Patiala (Punjab)
- v) Gwalior (Madhya Pradesh)

2. The NCRPB provides loan assistance to the State Governments for development of various projects in the National Capital Region and in the Counter Magnet Areas. It has sanctioned 10 projects in the Counter Magnet Areas which includes 5 residential and 5 infrastructure projects at an estimated cost of Rs.646.73 crores, involving a loan amount of Rs.212.27 crores.