## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

### UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5326 TO BE ANSWERED ON APRIL 03, 2025

### IMPROVEMENT IN DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION INFRASTRUCTURE UNDER SCM

#### NO. 5326. SHRI KUNDURU RAGHUVEER:

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

- (a) whether there are any plans to select and approve new smart city projects under the Smart Cities Mission (SCM) and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the drinking water and sanitation infrastructure would be improved after the implementation of the said projects and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether there is any funding for waste management and recycling projects and if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

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

- (a) & (b) No. On the requests received from the States/ UTs, Government of India has extended the Smart Cities Mission (SCM) up to 31.03.2025 for completion of its ongoing projects.
- (c) Under the Smart Cities Mission (SCM), a total of 1,439 projects amounting to ₹46,727 crore have been completed in Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) sector.

Further, Swachh Bharat Mission – Urban (SBM-U) 2.0 include Solid Waste Management (SWM) component with the objectives of achieving 100 per cent safe scientific processing of municipal solid waste in all cities. This includes processing of Construction and Demolition (C&D) waste, solid waste processing plants etc.

Provision of central assistance has been made for various activities such as source segregation, door to door collection, setting up of waste processing facilities such as Material Recovery Facilities (MRFs), transfer stations, Waste-to-Compost (WtC) plants, Waste-to-Energy (WtE) plants, bio-methanation plants, Construction and Demolition (C&D) waste plants, sanitary landfill, mechanized sweeping equipment and bio-remediation of legacy dumpsites.

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