

## **Monthly Summary of the principal activities of Ministry of Urban Development for the month of December, 2016.**

### **I Swachh Bharat Mission**

- i. Hon'ble Minister for Urban Development and Hon'ble Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting, Govt. of India launched **Google Toilet Locator** on 22nd December, 2016 which would help in finding a clean toilet in the neighborhood. This provides location of toilets on Google Maps Platform and also has collated community and public toilet data in 5 cities of NCR (Delhi, Gurgaon, Faridabad, Ghaziabad and Noida) and 2 cities from MP (Indore and Bhopal).
- ii. A total of 442 cities/towns have been declared as Open Defecation Free (ODF) in urban areas of the country. 31,179 wards across the country, including 2,734 wards during the month, have been declared as ODF. The Quality Council of India (QCI), as third party agency for certifying the protocol of declaring ODF cities, has certified 48 cities/ towns as ODF in the country during the month of December, 2016.
- iii. National Level Press Meet was held at the National Media Centre on 22nd December 2016, to update the media about new initiatives and progress under the Swachh Bharat Mission – (Urban). Hon'ble UDM, Shri Venkaiah Naidu, awarded ODF 'Swachhata' certificates to 15 cities who have been certified as ODF through QCI's third party verification process.
- iv. A series of Regional Workshops were organised by the Ministry in AMRUT cities like NCT of Delhi, Cuttack, Puri, Moradabad, Meerut, Udaipur, Ghaziabad, Kanpur, Aligarh, Ludhiana, Dehradun, Faridabad, Gurgaon, Agra, Patna and many other cities to check the preparedness level of the city for Swachh Survekshan 2017.
- v. SBM was one of the component of Asia Pacific Ministerial conference at 14 Dec. 2016

## **II Smart Cities Mission**

- i Agartala, Bhagalpur and Imphal of Fast Track Round and Kanpur, Rourkela and Amritsar of Round 2 of Smart Cities Mission have created their Special Purpose Vehicles (SPVs).
- ii Draft Standards for Smart Cities are to be finalized by 31.01.2017.

## **III. Atal Mission for Rejuvenation & Urban Transformation (AMRUT)**

The State Annual Action Plan (SAAPs) for the year 2016-17 in respect of Delhi UT was approved. Final SAAPs of the States of Madhya Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Odisha, Mizoram, Meghalaya and UT of Chandigarh have also been approved.

## **IV Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana (HRIDAY)**

In the HNEC Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2016, Seven project proposals amounting to a total of Rs. 61.97 crores have been approved and 40% of the project cost has been released as first installment.

## **V. Urban Transport**

- i) Pune Metro Rail Project has been approved by the Cabinet on 07.12.2016
- ii) Draft proposal for the Cabinet on Noida-Greater Noida Metro Rail Project of 29.707 Km length with the completion cost of Rs.5,503 crores, duly approved by the Finance Minister is being taken up with the Cabinet.
- iii) Two separate draft Cabinet Notes on Metro Rail Bill, 2016 and Metro Policy have been circulated to the concerned Ministries / Departments.

## **VI Local Self Governance (LSG)**

Recommendation for release of 14<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission Performance Grants (Urban Local Bodies) to 11 States, viz. Andhra Pradesh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra, Odisha, Sikkim, Manipur, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu and Uttar Pradesh for the year 2016-17 has been sent to the Ministry of Finance.

## **VII. Central Public Works Department (CPWD)**

A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed between Central Public Works Department and Department of Engineering Services, Ministry of Works and Human Settlement, Royal Govt. of Bhutan on technical co-operation in the field of Capacity Building, Benchmarking and Bilateral Exchange in Infrastructure Engineering.

