

Summary of important policy decisions/events pertaining to the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs for the month of January, 2024

I. Swachh Bharat Mission

- As on date 4,885 ULBs have been declared as Open Defecation Free (ODF), 4,576 cities have been certified ODF, 3,913 cities have been certified as ODF+, 1,429 cities are certified as ODF++ and 64 cities have been certified as Water+.
- 67,407 toilets across more than 3,326 cities are live on Google Maps with the name of “SBM Toilet”.
- Swachhata App emerged as an important tool towards enabling citizens to have their grievances addressed by the concerned Municipal Corporation. The Swachhata App has a total of 2.08 crore users, who have posted 2.55 crore complaints, of which 2.39 crore complaints have been resolved, with a resolution of above 94%.
- Result of GFC 2023 was declared on 11th January 2024 as part of the Swachh Survekshan Award Ceremony. The number of cities with 7-Star Certification is 3 (as compared to 1 in last year), 5-Star Certification is 15, 3-Star Certification is 229 and 1-Star Certification is 426 under Star Rating Protocol for Garbage Free Cities(GFC).
- **Swachh Survekshan 2023 Awards Ceremony**

The Hon'ble President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu conferred Swachh Survekshan awards 2023 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi hosted by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA). 13 awardees received felicitations under categories of Clean Cities, Cleanest Cantonment, SafaiMitra Suraksha, Ganga Towns and Best Performing State were given away. This year the cleanest city award showcased joint winners. Port city Surat bagged the top honours, alongside Indore, who had conquered the top spot alone for 6 consecutive years. In the category of cities with a population of less than 1 lakh, Sasvad, Patan and Lonavala secured the top three spots. Mhow Cantonment Board in Madhya Pradesh was adjudged the Cleanest Cantonment Board. Varanasi and Prayagraj won the top two awards amongst the Cleanest Ganga Towns. Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh won the top three awards for Best Performing State. Chandigarh walked away with the award for the

Best Safaimitra Surakshit Sheher. 110 awards were bestowed during the ceremony.

The 9 years of Swachh Bharat Mission and the spirit of swachhata was reinvigorated in the presence of the Hon'ble President, through an audio visual presentation highlighting Ek Tareekh Ek Ghanta Ek Saath campaign and the release of the Swachh Bharat Mission Anthem for 2024. Playback singer, Kailash Kher has lent his voice to the anthem 'Naya Sankalp Hai, Naya Prakalp Hai'.

An exhibition displaying latest technologies and equipments in waste management grabbed the attention of the visitors.

III. Smart City Mission

- 8,020 projects worth ₹1,70,733 crore are ongoing, of which 6,695 projects (83% of the total projects) worth ₹ 1,32,935 crore have already been completed.
- 68 additional projects worth ₹ 736 crore have been completed during the month of January, 2024.

• PROGRESS IN KEY SECTORS

Sector	Completed		Work in Progress	
	Projects	Cost (₹ crore)	Projects	Cost (₹ crore)
ICCC	100	11,775	-	-
Smart Mobility	1,353	30,639	316	8,993
Smart Energy	626	13,439	59	1,177
WASH	1,302	42,275	219	9,352
PPP	188	8,852	18	1,889
Vibrant Public Spaces	1,180	8,387	190	3,886
Economic Infrastructure	726	9,304	207	4,073
Social Infrastructure	747	10,208	122	2,542
Smart Governance	576	14,811	107	2,653

- **Innaugration of city e- bus project in jammu by hon'ble union minister amit shah**

Hon'ble Union Minister Amit Shah inaugurated 100 electric busses for Jammu Smart City. The pan city e-bus project can transform the public transport, bringing progress, development and opportunities for the people. The e-buses will significantly enhance the reliability, comfort, and affordability of public transport, incorporating advanced safety features like panic buttons.

- **National pavillion at 31st convergence india & 9th Smart Cities Expo, Pragati Maidan (17th-19th january 2024)**

The National Pavilion featured models of 12 intriguing projects from 10 cities including the *Chappan Dukaan* of Indore Smart City, *Connecting Past with Future* of Surat Smart City, *Area-Based Development* of Udaipur Smart City and *Digitization of Manuscripts* of Prayagraj Smart City. A virtual library featuring projects completed under various sectors in the mission was also set up, offering insights into the mission's overall achievements.

Smart Cities India Awards were also held on 19th January 2024 recognizing projects that have made impact by making our cities livable, sustainable and economically viable by honoring best.

- **TUMAKURU SMART CITY CREATES GUINNESS WORLD RECORD**

Uniting for a greener future, Tumakuru Smart City, Corporation and its dedicated team of collaborators demonstrated the power of collective action in tackling plastic waste by creating the largest word using plastic bottles. Their monumental artwork not only broke the Guinness world record but also inspired change and raises awareness about the importance of reducing, reusing and recycling.

- **TRANSFORMING THE 'CITY OF NAWABS'- LUCKNOW**

Efforts to transform the 'City of Nawabs' into a smart city are in full swing, with numerous upgrades and additions underway in Lucknow. The Lucknow Smart City has initiated 'Mission Bharosa' to ensure safe transport of school students. In collaboration with the Regional Transport Office (RTO) and schools in the city, the initiative involves creating a comprehensive list of school vehicles and their drivers. This list will undergo verification, and drivers will be issued Digital ID cards. Under the project, tracking devices will be fitted in all the school buses of the state capital at the cost of ₹60 lakh. The device in school vehicles will be linked to the command control centre of the smart city. They will be monitored from here and information about them will be available on the app. Through the app, parents would be able to know as to who is driving the vehicle, at what speed and in which district the bus is registered. They can also know how age and registration number of the vehicle and at what time where it is moving.

III Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT)

- i. Detailed project Reports (DPRs) have been approved for the projects costing Rs. 83,191 crore exceeding approved Action Plans worth Rs. 77,640 crore. Some States have taken up projects in excess of their approved SAAPs, wherein excess amount will be borne by the States/ ULBs. In all physical work worth about 75,724 crore has been carried out in completed/ ongoing AMRUT projects. Out of 5,901 projects, 5,195 projects have been completed and 706 projects are ongoing.
- ii. So far, ₹40,775 crore has been released to States/UTs towards project implementation (including the eligible projects of erstwhile JnNURM), Administrative & Office Expenses (A&OE), reform incentive, and under sub-schemes on 'Formulation of GIS based Master Plans in AMRUT cities' and 'Local Area Plan (LAP) and Town Planning Schemes (TPS) in 25 selected cities'.

iii. So far, State Water Action Plans have been submitted by States/UT's for 7,098 projects costing Rs. 1,63,227 crore (incl. O&M). Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) have been prepared for 5,198 projects worth Rs. 1,12,648 crore, Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) have been approved for 4,986 projects worth Rs. 1,03,600 crore, NIT issued for 4,161 projects worth Rs. 86,644 crore, work in progress for 2,477 projects worth Rs. 41,110 crore & 347 projects worth Rs. 508 crore have been completed.

iv. So far, Rs. 7,347 crore have been released for implementation of projects under AMRUT 2.0. Overall, Rs. 7,879 crore have been released under various components of AMRUT 2.0 such as projects and A&OE.

IV. Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana /National Urban Livelihood Mission (DAY/NULM)

During the month of January, 2024 of current financial year 9,283 Self Help Groups (SHGs) have been formed; 46 SHGs were given Revolving Fund; 9,878 beneficiaries were assisted with loans for setting up of individual and micro enterprises and 17,557 no. of loans were given to SHGs under SHG-Bank linkage programme.

V. PM Street Vendor's Atma Nirbhar Nidhi (PMSVANidhi)

- Under PM Street Vendor's Atma Nirbhar Nidhi (PMSVANidhi), 1,02,44,733 applications have been received against which 83,65,733 sanctions and 79,15,834 disbursals have been made.
- A total of ₹ 16.76 crore have been released under the mission during the month of January, 2024.

VI. Pradan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY)/Housing for All (HFA)

- Since the inception, Mission has sanctioned 1.19 crore houses of which 114.01 lakh houses have been grounded for construction of which 80.02 lakh houses have been completed/ delivered.
- ₹ 1,780.49 crore have been released under PMAY(U) during the month of January, 2024.

VII. Housing

-All States/UTs have notified rules under RERA except Nagaland, which is under process to notify the rules.

-32 States/UTs have set up Real Estate Regulatory Authority (Regular - 27, Interim – 05). Ladakh, Meghalaya, Nagaland and Sikkim are yet to establish Real Estate Regulatory Authority.

-28 States/UTs have set up Real Estate Appellate Tribunal (Regular - 24, Interim – 04). Arunachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and West Bengal are yet to establish Appellate Tribunal.

- Regulatory Authorities of 30 States/UTs have operationalized their websites under the provisions of RERA. Arunachal Pradesh and Manipur are yet to operationalize.

-26 States/UTs have appointed Adjudicating Officer. 10 States/UTs i.e., Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Manipur, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Sikkim, Uttarakhand, West Bengal, Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh are yet to appoint Adjudicating Officer.

-1,21,265 Real Estate Projects and 86,027 Real Estate Agents have registered under RERA across the Country.

-1,19,246 Complaints have been disposed-off by the Real Estate Regulatory Authorities across the Country.

Progress made under Real Estate (Regulation & Development) Act 2016 (as on 01.01.2024)

- 1308 Real Estate Projects have been registered under RERA in month of January, 2024.
- 1036 Real Estate Agents have been registered under RERA in month of January, 2024.
- 992 Complaints have been disposed-off by different Real Estate Regulatory Authorities across the country in month of January, 2024

Model Tenancy Act

As per Census-2011, nearly 1.1 crore houses were lying vacant in urban areas because landlords were unwilling to give their premises on rent. On the other hand, there is a shortage of 187.8 lakh urban houses estimated as per the report of Technical Group on Urban Housing Shortage in 2012. Existing rental laws of States/UTs inhibit renting of premises and have long drawn legal provisions. In order to promote renting of premises and to ensure Speedy dispute resolution, MoHUA has prepared the Model Tenancy Act.

MTA aims to balance the interests and rights of both landlord and tenant in accountable and transparent manner and prescribes a speedy dispute resolution mechanism. MTA will enable unlocking of vacant premises for rental purpose and create a vibrant and sustainable rental market.

After approval of Union Cabinet on 2nd June 2021, MTA has been shared with the States/Union Territories (UTs) for adoption either by legislating a new law or by amending existing rental law suitably on the lines of MTA. States of Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh have already notified Tenancy Acts based on earlier draft of MTA and they have been requested to align their tenancy laws with the latest version of MTA. Assam Tenancy Act, 2021 has been enacted in the State of Assam on the lines of latest version of MTA, as approved by Union Cabinet.

The Union Cabinet has also approved (i) the Andaman and Nicobar Islands Tenancy Regulation, 2023, (ii) the Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu Tenancy Regulation, 2023 and (iii) the Lakshadweep Tenancy Regulation, 2023 on 4th October, 2023.

MoHUA is in constant touch with all the States and UTs to ensure adoption of MTA across the country at the earliest.