

Shyama Prasad Mukherji Rurban Mission (SPMRM)
Mission Brief dated 14th February 2020

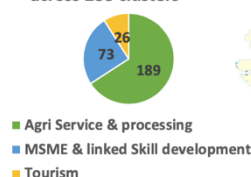
The **Shyama Prasad Mukherji Rurban Mission (SPMRM)** was launched by the Honorable Prime Minister on **February 21st, 2016** to deliver catalytic interventions to rural areas on the threshold of growth.

- **300 Rurban clusters are envisaged to be developed in a timebound manner.**
- Rurban clusters are identified across the country's rural areas showing increasing signs of urbanization - i.e. increase in population density, high levels of non-farm employment, presence of growing economic activities and other socio-economic parameters.
- The Mission aims to transform these Rurban clusters by stimulating local economic development, enhancing basic services, and creating well planned Rurban clusters.
- As on date, following is a **brief snapshot of the investments** approved and the **on-ground expenditure** progress by the government through Convergence and CGF resources:

Number of Clusters Selected	Number of Integrated Cluster Action Plans (ICAPs) approved	Number of Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) approved	Number of Clusters notified for planning	Total Central Share of Funds Released till date
296	288	240	188	Rs. 1,842.97 cr.

- **288 Rurban clusters**(with ICAPs approved) with thematic economic growth points are being developed across the country under this Mission, with a funding support of upto 30% of the estimated investment for each Rurban cluster, given as Critical Gap Funding (CGF), while 70% of the funds is mobilized by the States through convergence with synergic State and Central programmes.

Primary growth themes across 288 clusters*



Total Investments approved in the 288 ICAPs (in Rs. Cr.)			Total Expenditure till 30 th November 2019 (in Rs. Cr.)			%age expenditure
Convergence	CGF	Total	Convergence	CGF	Total	
21,194	6,882	28,075	5,619	1,071	6,689	27% (Conv.)
						16% (CGF)
						24% (Total)

▪ **Other Important Milestones & Achievements:**

1. Model Guidelines for Model Land Uses, Development Controls, and Service Level Benchmarks with Appropriate Enforcement Mechanisms for Rurban Clusters developed with support of technical institutions School of Planning & Architecture, New Delhi and CEPT University, Ahmedabad and shared with all the States. **6 States have already prepared draft spatial plans.**
2. RurbanSoft (the Mission's MIS) revamped and ICAPs, DPRs uploaded.
3. For ensuring transparency, efficiency and effectiveness in payments, RurbanSoft integrated with PFMS for payments directly from State to concerned vendors/agencies. **10 States have already deployed the RurbanSoft-PFMS platform for payments.**
4. **3 films on success stories being made by IEC division**

▪ **Key Issues at present:**

1. Program Division working on expediting Mission's on-ground progress so that within proposed 2 years extension remaining expenditure is done.
2. Observations as approved by CEO, NITI Aayog on Ministry's Letter (by SRD) dated Nov'2019 -

MoRD Letter content – 'Learning from the success of the Rurban clusters, a new and extended programme for over a 1000 clusters in next 3 years'

NITI Aayog Comment: After learning from the success and weakness of the SPMRM (on it's evaluation), it can be upgraded as mentioned by MoRD

3. 5th CRM's observations –
 - a. Clusters showing good progress / initial positive outcomes in clusters
 - b. States have requested for more clusters to be allocated
4. Progress on various targets

Physical Progress	ICAP	DPR
Annual Target for 2019-20	Progress from 272 to 300 (28 remaining ICAPs)	Progress from 126 to 225 (100 more DPRs)
Progress made till December 2019	288 / 300	240 / 288
Plan to complete remaining target by 31st March 2020	7 from West Bengal, 1 each from Delhi, Maharashtra, Goa, Arunachal Pradesh, Telangana Decision to be taken if any ICAP approval will be permitted post 31 st March	Out of pending, most from: 13 from Jharkhand, 8 from Assam, 7 from West Bengal, 5 from Bihar
Financial Progress	Fund Release (Central Share)	Expenditure by States
Annual Target for 2019-20	Rs. 300 cr. (RE)	To achieve Rs. 1,200 crore CGF expenditure
Progress made till 14th February 2020	Rs. 258 cr.	Rs. 1,071 cr. (as on 30th Nov.)
Plan to complete remaining target by 31st March 2020	Expected to meet target of Rs. 1,200 crore by 31st March	Expected to cross target of Rs. 1,200 crore by 31st March