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# Smart Cities Mission (SCM) deadline ended on March 31, 2025

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## Context

As per the Smart Cities Mission dashboard, the cities have completed 7,491 projects with 567 projects still ongoing till Feb, 2025.

## What is the Smart Cities Mission (SCM)?

It is a [Centrally Sponsored Scheme](#), launched in June 2015 to transform 100 cities to provide the necessary core infrastructure and clean and sustainable environment to enable a decent quality of life to their citizens through the application of "Smart Solutions".

It aimed to improve the quality of life for citizens through sustainable and [inclusive development](#).

## Objectives:

Provide core infrastructure and decent quality of life

Clean and sustainable environment

Application of 'Smart' Solutions

Sustainable and inclusive development

Replicable model

## Components of the SCM:

### Area-based Development:

**Redevelopment:** Renewal of existing urban areas to improve infrastructure and amenities **E.g. Bhendi Bazar, Mumbai.**

**Retrofitting:** Upgrading infrastructure in existing areas to make them more efficient and sustainable **E.g. Local Area Development (Ahmedabad).**

**Greenfield Projects:** Development of new urban areas with a focus on sustainability and smart technologies **E.g. New Town, Kolkata, Naya Raipur, GIFT City.**

### Pan-City Solutions:

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**Implementation of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) solutions across various sectors such as e-governance, waste management, water management, energy management, urban mobility, and skill development.**

### **Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV)**

A Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) was created under the Companies Act, 2013 led by a **bureaucrat or a representative of a multinational corporation (MNC)** in each smart city for governance.