

QUESTION DETAILS

MINISTRY OF : Housing and Urban Affairs

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 2771
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.07.2019
Revised National Hawkers Policy

2771. Shri G.C. Chandrashekhar

Will the Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the revised National Hawkers Policy restricts hawkers from vending in and around railway stations and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether due to congestion in metro cities, local governing bodies are not being able to implement the National Hawkers Policy, if so, the details thereof and the reaction of Government thereto;
- (c) the States which have framed rules and schemes for the welfare of street vendors as per provision of the Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Act, 2014; and
- (d) the steps being taken by Government for protection of livelihood of street vendors in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

(a): In order to protect rights of urban street vendors, regulate street vending activities and to ensure uniformity in legal framework for street vending, the Government has enacted the Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Act, 2014 which came into force w.e.f. May 1, 2014. The Act is applicable to all States/UTs except for State of Jammu & Kashmir and also any land, premises and trains owned and controlled by the Railways under the Railway Act, 1989.

(b): No issue, regarding non implementation of Street Vendors Act due to congestion in metro cities, has been reported by any States/UTs to Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.

(c): Rules under the Act have been notified by 33 States/UTs. Meghalaya has notified Rules under its own Street Vendors Act. Further, Telangana has also drafted the Rules. The States/UTs which have notified the Scheme include Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Chandigarh, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu, Goa, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Mizoram, Nagaland, NCT of Delhi, Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Tripura and Uttar Pradesh. Meghalaya has notified Scheme under its Street Vendors Act.

(d): The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs issues advisory to the States/UTs, from time to time, to follow the provisions laid down in the Act. Further, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs is also implementing, through States/UTs, Support to Urban Street Vendors, as a component of Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana- National Urban Livelihood Mission. It provides for survey of street vendors, development of City Street vending plans, infrastructure development, training and skill development of street vendors, and their financial inclusion.

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