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① Do you think that the Indian Urbanisation is withering a Policy Paralysis from the top? Discuss.

↳ A report by World Bank, on financing India's urban infrastructure needs, private investment followed by urban reforms, Smart City mission and this report plague India's Policy Paradigms in Urban sector.

↳ Urban Financing
It comes from Government of finance of 48%, central, 54% state and 15% city governments. Public Private Partnership projects contributes about 3%.

↳ Issues - a Policy Paralysis
↳ In last few years various reports estimated a huge demand for funding urban infrastructure.

↳ World Bank estimates nearly ₹ 70 lakh crore would be needed for investment in urban India to meet the growing demands of the population.

↳ Flagship Programme like Smart City Mission, the Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT), the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) etc are not more

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than ₹ 2 lakh crore

↳ Report of world Bank

World Bank reports point out nearly 85% of government revenue is from the cities. This means that urban citizens are contributing large revenues thus needs to emphasis on the laying of more burdens in the form of user charges on utilities

↳ Need of the Hour

↳ The basic problem at top to bottom approach need to be addressed, this will too much focus on techno centric solutions using very high capital intensive technologies this needs to be addressed.

↳ Plans must be made from below by engaging with people and identifying their needs.

↳ Need to Empowering the city governments and people at large. Suggesting 10% of income tax collected from cities be given back to them for urban infrastructure linked to urban

governance

↳ Way Forward: Thus Indian Urbanisation witnessing a policy paralysis, have to Empowering the Urban Governance.