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## Coverage 1

As 20 cities gear up for smart makeover, it's bonanza for realty: All you need to know

## Media

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The government on Thursday released the list of 20 cities that have won the smart city challenge, with Bhubaneswar getting the first rank.

"Today marks a historic landmark in the annals of urban development in our country as we get to know the first batch of smart cities. This announcement marks a paradigm shift in our approach to urban development in the country," urban development minister Venkaiah Naidu said at the press conference.

"The idea of smart cities has aroused an unprecedented enthusiasm ever since it was first mooted by Prime Minister [Narendra Modi](#) in 2014," Naidu said at the presser.

### Who will benefit?

Apart from the 3.54 crore population residing in these cities, it is likely to be a bonanza for the slowdown-hit real estate. According to a report in *PTI* realtors' body CREDAI has hailed the move. It sees the initiative would provide great opportunity for the real estate development, particularly in the affordable home segment, with improvement in infrastructure of these towns.

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The Smart City initiative would be a game changer in raising the standard of infrastructure in the cities in the country, said Shubhranshu Pani, MD - Infrastructure Services, JLL India, a company which has supported Bhubaneswar and Chennai in their bid for smart city makeover.

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## Coverage 2

Realtors see biz  
opportunity from  
Smart City projects

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"Adequate attention is paid to sustainability, infrastructure and improving the life of inhabitants," he said, adding that JLL has supported two of the cities which have been shortlisted in the first list -- namely Bhubaneswar and Chennai.

CREDAI Western UP Vice President Amit Modi said the smart city would greatly enhance the much needed infrastructure requirement of these cities.

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Smart Cities:  
Realtors

eye huge business  
opportunity from  
first 20 cities  
selected

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The first list includes: Bhubaneswar (Orissa), Pune (Maharashtra), Jaipur (Rajasthan), Surat (Gujarat), Kochi (Kerala), Ahmedabad (Gujarat), Jabalpur (Madhya Pradesh), Vishakapatnam (Andhra Pradesh), Solapur (Maharashtra), Devanageri (Karnataka), Indore (Madhya Pradesh), NDMC (Delhi), Coimbatore (Tamil Nadu), Kakinada (Andhra Pradesh), Belgaum (Karnataka), Udaipur (Rajasthan), Guwahati (Assam), Chennai (Tamil Nadu), Ludhaiana (Punjab) and Bhopal (Madhya Pradesh).

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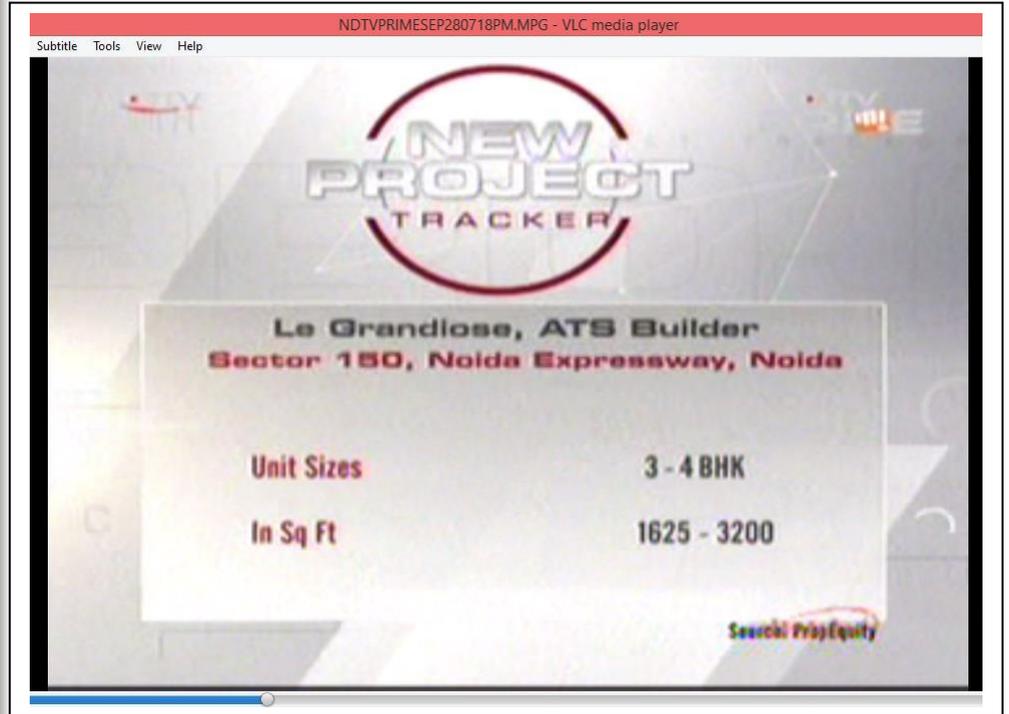
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CMD's Interview

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