

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:391
ANSWERED ON:20.04.2000
DEVELOPMENT WORKS UNDER RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES
JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV;MANIBHAI RAMJIBHAI CHAUDHARY

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to conduct survey and make assessment of the development works done so far under the Rural Development Programmes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the numerous problems are being faced by women due to lack of toilets for females;
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

(SHRI SUNDAR LAL PATWA)

A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 391 DUE FOR REPLY ON 20-4-2000

(a) & (b): The Ministry of Rural Development have developed a comprehensive system for the evaluation of implementation of its schemes (and their impact) through Concurrent Evaluations, Quick Evaluations and Impact Assessment Studies. Such assessment of Rural Development Programmes is continuing.

(c) & (d): While public latrines have not proved to be particularly successful in the past, keeping in view the difficulties experienced by rural women in certain areas, where individual household latrines are not feasible, Village Sanitary Complexes for women are proposed to be set up on a pilot basis. Upto 10% of the allocation based annual funds under the Central Rural Sanitation Programme are envisaged to be utilized to provide public latrines in selected villages during the Ninth Plan period, where Panchayats / Charitable Trusts / NGOs offer to construct and maintain Village Complexes exclusively for the use of women. Under the Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC) of the Restructured Central Rural Sanitation Programme the National Scheme Sanctioning Committee (NSSC) has approved the construction of Sanitary Complexes for women, in the pilot districts, in different States.