

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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WORLD BANK ASSISTANCE FOR RURAL SANITATION PROJECTS

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the World Bank is financing the drinking water and sanitation projects in the rural areas of the Country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the components of the projects;
- (c) the number of proposals seeking World Bank assistance under the said Projects have been received from the State Governments, State-wise especially in respect of Maharashtra;
- (d) the number of proposals cleared so far, State-wise;
- (e) whether a World Bank team visited Maharashtra recently to hold discussion on these projects;
- (f) if so, the observation of the team and outcome thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M. K. PATIL)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Details of Rural Water Supply and Environmental Sanitation Projects funded by the World Bank being implemented in the States are given below:

(i) The UP Rural Water Supply and Environmental Sanitation Project costing US\$ 71.0 million, with World Bank assistance of US\$ 52.4 million (revised) is under implementation in Uttar Pradesh and Uttaranchal. The project implementation started in August 1996 and is scheduled to be completed by end of May 2003.

(ii) A World Bank assisted `Kerala Rural Water Supply and Environmental Sanitation Project` is under implementation in Kerala, commencing from Jan 2001, with approved project cost of US\$ 89.8 million and the IDA loan amount to the project is to the tune of US\$ 65.5 million (approx. 73%). The project is expected to be completed by the year 2007.

(iii) A World Bank assisted `Second Karnataka Rural Water Supply and Environmental Sanitation Project` has been recently (11th Feb 2002) launched in Karnataka State for implementation. The project is likely to cost US\$ 193.44 million and the IDA loan amount to the project is to the tune of US\$ 151.6 million (approx. 78%). The project is expected to be completed by the year 2007.

(c) & (d) State-wise details of Rural Water Supply and Environmental Sanitation Projects (RWS&ESP) received by Government of India are as under:

S.No.	State	Number of RWS&ESPs received by Government of India	Number of RWS&ESPs cleared	Remarks
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1. Andhra Pradesh 1 - State Government has been requested to submit the modified proposal.

2. Madhya Pradesh 1 - State Government has been requested to submit a full-

size project in accordance
with Generic Project Concept
Document.

3. Maharashtra 1 1 World Bank Identification Mission visited Maharashtra. Project preparation is in progress in the State.
4. Tamil Nadu 1 1 Posed to the World Bank by Department of Economic Affairs on 30th Jan 2002. Presently Identification Mission of World Bank is visiting Tamil Nadu.
5. Nagaland 1 - State Government has been requested to submit the modified proposal.
6. Uttaranchal 1 - Proposal received from the State Government.

(e): Yes, Sir.

(f): A World Bank Identification Mission visited Maharashtra State during 21st January 2002 to 1st February 2002. As per the report of the World Bank Mission, the State Government has agreed to complete the following priority actions so as to facilitate project preparation:

- (i) set up a full-time project preparation team and provide it with adequate funds to initiate preparation of the project;
- (ii) achieve substantive progress in launching project studies and analyses as well as pilot schemes in a few districts;
- (iii) prepare a road map with a plan of action for the required institutional restructuring of Maharashtra Jeevan Pradhikaran (MJP) and Groundwater Survey Development Agency (GSDA); and
- (iv) prepare strategy and plan of action for completion or otherwise of on-going RWS schemes under the Master Plan of the State (including identifying sources of funding for implementing such schemes).