

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2301  
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JAL NIRMAL PROJECT  
IQBAL AHMED SARADGI

**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether a delegation of World Bank visited the State of Karnataka;
- (b) if so, the number of districts visited by the delegation;
- (c) the assessment made by the World Bank team on the Project Nirmal a DrinkingWater and Sanitation Project implemented in various districts of the State;
- (d) the latest position of these projects;
- (e) whether all the amount sanctioned by the World Bank has been fully utilised;
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor, and
- (g) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

- (a) Yes, Sir. The World Bank Project preparation Mission for the Jal Nirmal Project visited Karnataka during the year 2001. The recent visit of the World Bank Supervision Mission to Karnataka was in August, 2002.
- (b) The delegation visited eight districts which included six districts under Jal Nirmal Project and 2 districts under Sector Reforms Project.
- (c) The World Bank Mission reported that there has been an overwhelming response from the Gram panchayats to participate in the Jal Nirmal Project.
- (d) The activities of the Jal Nirmal Project have commenced. Project implementation has commenced in 20 gram panchayats of pilot batch and Batch I of 289 Gram Panchayats is in planning stage.
- (e) to (g) The implementation of the World Bank assisted Jal Nirmal Project has commenced during the current year and is in progress. The amount sanctioned by the World Bank is to be utilised over the project period of six years (2002-2007).