

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3248  
ANSWERED ON:10.12.2002  
SWAJALDHARA PROJECT  
ASHOK NAMDEORAO MOHOL;RAMSHETH THAKUR

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

- (a) whether the government are not satisfied with the progress of Swajaldhara project as reported in The Hindu dated 23.11.2002 under the captioned `users to maintain water projects`;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the present status of the scheme;
- (d) the names of the States where performance of swajaldhara scheme is not satisfactory;
- (e) whether the Government propose to scrap the scheme; and
- (f) if not, the steps taken by the Union government to make Swajaldhara scheme more effective?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (f) Swajaldhara is a demand driven, community led participatory mode of rural water supply scheme as per the reform initiative of the Government of India. The programme is proposed to be launched on 25.12.2002 for implementation across the country based on proposals received from villages, Gram Panchayats and Blocks etc through the State Government. No scheme under Swajaldhara has so far been sanctioned by the Government.