

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1230

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SWAJALDHARA PROJECT

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have launched a Swajaldhara Scheme to provide drinking water to all the villages of the country;
- (b) if so, the funds likely to be provided under the scheme, head-wise;
- (c) whether the Central Government have received complaints from the State Governments that the five days given to States for submitting proposals under the `Swajaldhara Scheme` was not sufficient;
- (d) if so, whether the Government propose to extend the time limit in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the time by which this scheme is likely to be made operative?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Yes Sir, Swajaldhara scheme has been launched by Hon`ble Prime Minister on 25.12.2002. In the financial year 2002-2003 funds are made available under Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme.

(c) to (e) Swajaldhara is already operative. There is no time limit for submission of Application/Proposal under Swajaldhara. Before the launching of Swajaldhara by Hon`ble Prime Minister, some days were indicated to receive, consider and sanction Swajaldhara proposal.