

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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IMPLEMENTATION OF LOW COST SANITATION SCHEME IN KARNATAKA  
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**Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the centrally sponsored scheme named Low Cost Sanitation Scheme for liberalisation of the scavengers have started from 1980-81 in the State of Karnataka;
- (b) if so, whether the scheme became operative through the Ministry since 1989-90;
- (c) if so, the amount allocated by the Union Government in implementing this scheme;
- (d) the total projects so far implemented in Karnataka;
- (e) the number of projects completed so far; and
- (f) the latest progress thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION ( SHRI PON RADHAKR )

(a)&(b): The Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Low Cost Sanitation for liberation of scavengers was launched in 1980-1981 through the Ministry of Home Affairs. Liberation component of this Scheme was transferred to this Ministry from the then Ministry of Welfare in the year 1989-90.

(c): The Planning Commission has allocated Rs. 200 crores for the Scheme for the 10th Five Year Plan.

(d)to(f): The Scheme is being implemented through HUDCO, which has so far sanctioned 67 projects for construction/conversion of toilets in 52 towns envisaging liberation of 3227 scavengers in Karnataka. Presently, there is no proposal pending for sanction under Low Cost Sanitation Scheme in respect of Karnataka. Four projects involving 69651 units have been completed and 87 scavengers have been liberated as per the progress report submitted to HUDCO.