GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1607 ANSWERED ON:09.03.2007 ERADICATION OF MANUAL SCAVENGING

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Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of manual scavengers in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has fixed any target for total eradication of manual scavenging; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof with success achieved?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA)

(a): Statement annexed.

(b)&(c): Planning Commission has formulated National Action Plan for Total Eradication of Manual Scavenging in a time bound manner. The central Monitoring committee under the chairpersonship of Secretary, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment is continuously monitoring the effective implementation of the National Action Plan.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA USQ.NO.1607 FOR 09.3.2007.

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NO. OF MANUAL SCAVENGERS STATE-WISE

S.NO. NAME OF THE STATE REMAINING SCAVENGERS TO BE REHABILITATED

CITTADAM

1.	GUJARAT	52542
2.	MAHARASHTRA	45699
3.	RAJASTHAN	43567
4.	ASSAM	38819
5.	UTTAR PRADESH	33256
6.	ORISSA	24368
7.	WEST BENGAL	21514
8.	HARYANA	20804
9.	DELHI	14479
10.	BIHAR	11941
11.	TAMIL NADU	11874
12.	JHARKHAND	5750
13.	JAMMU & KASHMIR	3939
14.	MADHYA PRADESH	3795
15.	HIMACHAL PRADESH	2734
16.	KARNATAKA	1958
17.	NAGALAND	1800
18.	UTTRANCHAL	1477
19.	KERALA	1198
20.	MEGHALAYA	607
21.	PONDICHERRY	347
22.	ANDHRA PRADESH	0
23.	PUNJAB	0
24.	CHHATTISGARH	0
TOTAL: 342468		