

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

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SANJHA SWACHHATA ABHIYAN  
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**Will the Minister of URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Union Government has launched Sanjha Swachhata Abhiyan;
- (b) if so, the details and the salient features of the scheme;
- (c) the amount allocated/released to various State Governments under the Scheme; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government for the timely completion of works undertaken thereunder?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN EMPLOYMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION ( KUMARISELJA )

(a)to(d): Sanjha Swachhata Abhiyan, a Community Toilets and Sanitation programme of Housing & Urban Development Corporation (HUDCO) for funding of construction of Community Toilets and Sanitation facilities for the benefit of floating population and the public in general was launched on 30.1.2006. The scheme is for construction of community toilets in Schools, Institutes, Hospitals, Bus Stands, Railway Stations/busy market places, slums etc. in urban areas. Under the scheme, HUDCO will provide 50% subsidy upto Rs.20,000/-, out of the ceiling cost of Rs.40,000 per WC/Bath. The matching share has to be borne by the implementing agency from its own sources or from MPLAD/MLALAD funds, etc. Subsidy from HUDCO would be released only after implementing agency invests its own share for WC/Bath in the project. In case, the gross cost per WC/Bath exceeds Rs.40,000/-, then HUDCO can finance the balance project cost as loan to the agency under HUDCO's infrastructure guidelines and 'Action Plan' Scheme terms of financing. HUDCO will give subsidy upto Rs.50 lakhs per district under the scheme.

A sum of Rs.47.20 lacs as subsidy and Rs.39.16 lacs as loan has been sanctioned so far by HUDCO. However, no funds have been released so far.