

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1658
ANSWERED ON:08.03.2010
NIRMAL GRAM PURASKAR UNDER TSC
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC) is running satisfactorily in the country including Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) if so, whether any directions have been issued to the State Governments for removing shortcomings and for successful implementation of the said campaign;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the prize money has been released to winner `Gram Sabhas` of the last year under `Nirmal Gram Puraskar Yojana` in the country including Uttar Pradesh;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the time by which the said prize money is to be released to the winners?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (MS. AGATHA SANGMA)

- (a) Yes sir. Sanitation Coverage in Rural area was 1% in 1981 which went up to only 22% as per census 2001. The percentage has gone up to 62.12% as per the latest available figures reported by the states through on line monitoring system of Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC).
- (b) and (c) Do not arise.
- (d)to(f) The award money for the last year has been released to the respective States including Uttar Pradesh for distribution of the same to the Gram Panchayats that have been awarded `Nirmal Gram Puraskar` (NGP). A statement indicating details of release of Award Money to the respective States is annexed.