

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:7
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SAFE DRINKING WATER TO RURAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the targets fixed for providing safe drinking water in the rural areas under the Bharat Nirman have been achieved;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the provisions budgeted for and the actual expenditure incurred during Phases I and II of the programme, State-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken/ proposed to be taken to achieve the targets laid down in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DR. C. P. JOSHI)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in the reply to part (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Stared Question No. 7 admitted for reply on 26.07.2010

(a) to (c) The status of progress under Bharat Nirman – Rural drinking water as on 20.7.2010 is as under:

(Number of habitations)

Category of habitation	Target	Achievement
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Un-covered	55,067	54,693
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Slipped-back	3,31604	4,87,713
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Quality-affected	2,16,968	84,473
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Total	6,03,639	6,28,879
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The remaining un-covered and quality-affected habitations are targeted to be covered during Bharat Nirman Phase-II.

During Bharat Nirman from 2005-06 to 2009-10, against an allocation of Rs.26,628.72 crore to the States/ UTs, Rs.26,799.54 crore had been released and States/ UTs have reported an expenditure of Rs.24,510.70 crore. In 2010-11, against an allocation of Rs.8,460.00 crore to States/ UTs, Rs. 3,437.82 crore has been released and as on 20.7.2010, Rs. 665.62 crore is reported to have been utilized. A statement showing State-wise allocation, release and utilization of funds is at Annex-I.

To ensure that remaining targeted habitations are covered during the Bharat Nirman Phase-II, State Governments have been requested to prepare Annual Action Plan to cover un-covered and quality-affected habitations on priority and also mark the targeted habitations in the online Integrated Management Information System (IMIS). To achieve the targets laid down, since the launch of Bharat Nirman the allocation of funds for rural drinking water have been increased substantially from Rs. 2,585 crore in the year 2004-05 i.e. year preceding the launch of Bharat Nirman to Rs. 8,000 crore in 2009-10, which has been further increased to Rs. 9,000 crore in 2010-11.