

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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DRINKING WATER FOR ALL BY 2012  
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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to provide drinking water for all by 2012;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of uncovered habitations under this plan;
- (d) the allocation and utilization of fund during each year of the Eleventh Plan, State- wise; and
- (e) the steps taken/ proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): Yes Sir. Under the rural drinking water component of Bharat Nirman, launched in 2005-06, 55,067 un-covered and 3,31,604 slipped-back habitations were targeted to be covered and in 2,16,968 quality-affected habitations, water quality problems were to be addressed. At the end of Bharat Nirman Phase - I i.e. as on 31.3.2009, 54,440 un-covered, 3,58,362 slipped-back and 50,168 quality-affected habitations were covered. The States have also been reporting coverage of slipped-back and quality-affected habitations, which were not targeted under Bharat Nirman. As on 1.4.2009, there were 627 un-covered and 1,79,999 quality-affected habitations remaining to be covered. These are targeted to be covered under Bharat Nirman Phase-II by 2012.

(d): A statement showing State-wise allocation, release and utilization of funds during each year of the Eleventh Plan is annexed.

(e): To ensure that the 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.