

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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URBAN SANITATION
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the objectives and the mandate of the National Urban Sanitation Policy as formulated by the Government;
- (b) the details of the quantifiable targets set, if any, for the same;
- (c) whether more than 37% of the total human excreta generated in urban India, is unsafely disposed, posing significant public health hazards and environmental costs;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has conducted any survey on sanitation in Indian cities; and
- (f) if so, the findings of the report especially for Mumbai?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SAUGATA ROY)

- (a) : The vision of the National Urban Sanitation Policy (NUSP) is 'all Indian cities and towns become totally sanitized, healthy and liveable and ensure and sustain good public health and environmental outcomes for all their citizens with a special focus on hygienic and affordable sanitation facilities for the urban poor and women'.
- (b) : Quantifiable targets have not been fixed under NUSP.
- (c) : Yes, Madam.
- (d) : Based on information collected from State Governments in the year 2004, the population having access to sanitation facilities (sewerage system and septic tanks) was 63% only. Further, this figure represents access to facilities and does not indicate coverage as per norms.
- (e) : Yes, Madam. Rating of 423 Class I cities as per 2001 census has been carried out between the period November, 2009 and March, 2010.
- (f) : Requisite details including Mumbai city are enclosed in Annexure.