

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION
LOK SABHA**

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SWAJALDHARA SCHEME

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Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the main objectives of Swajaldhara Scheme;
- (b) the number of projects sanctioned and completed under Swajaldhara Scheme in each State/UT during the last three years;
- (c) whether the Government has recently reviewed the functioning of Swajaldhara Scheme;
- (d) if so, the outcome thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken for the effective implementation of this Scheme?

Answer

MINISTER OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a): Swajaldhara a community led participatory programme aimed at :

(i) Providing safe drinking water in rural areas with full ownership of the community;

(ii) building awareness among the village community on the management of drinking water projects including better hygiene practices; and

(iii) encouraging water conservation practices along with rainwater harvesting.

(b): Swajaldhara Scheme has been discontinued at the Central level, from 2007-08 and no projects were sanctioned thereafter. The details of projects completed, if any, under Swajaldhara Scheme by the States during the said period are maintained at the State level.

(c)&(d): No, Sir.

(e): Does not arise.