

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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TOTAL SANITATION CAMPAIGN

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has assessed the performance of various States under the Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC);
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether any deficiency has been noticed in implementing the scheme;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the corrective measures taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard;
- (e) whether Nirmal Gram Puraskar (NGP) has been awarded and distributed to the Panchayats which have performed well in executing the projects under the scheme;and
- (f) if so, the details thereof during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise?

Answer

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

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

Statement referred to in the reply to parts (a) to (f) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 500 admitted for reply on 07.08.2009

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The State/UT wise details of performance reported is at annexure-I.

(c)&(d): Deficiencies noted in implementing the scheme are the slow pace of progress and the discrepancy between reported figures of individual toilet construction under TSC and actual usage of toilets. The following corrective measures have been taken by Government:

Launching of the incentive scheme of Nirmal Gram Puraskar to encourage Panchayati Raj Institutions to take up sanitation promotion to achieve open defecation free status.

The unit cost of the construction of individual household latrines has been increased to Rs.2500 (Rs.3000 for hilly and difficult areas) from the earlier Rs.1500.

Community contributions for construction of school and Anganwadi toilets have been removed and the Central & State sharing pattern changed to 70:30.

The component of Solid & Liquid Waste Management was included in TSC projects in 2006 for providing up to 10% of the district's project cost under the scheme for this purpose.

In order to promote sanitation among APL households who do not get incentives under TSC, a revolving fund of Rs.50 lakh subject to a ceiling of 5% of total project cost to each district has been earmarked for giving loan to APL members of self-help groups/cooperative societies for construction of toilets.

Intensive IEC campaign launched to change traditional sanitation behaviours and promote usage of toilets

States have been asked to enter the names and other details of BPL beneficiaries who have been provided with individual household latrines, in the online monitoring system of the TSC.

(e): Yes, Sir.

(f): The details of Nirmal Gram Puraskar awarded during the last three years to Gram Panchayats are at annexure-II and to Block and Zilla Panchayats at annexure-III. No award has been given during the current year till now.

