

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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WORLD BANK REPORT ON SANITATION NO
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a). whether the World Bank report released recently has brought out the issue of adverse impact of inadequate sanitation in the country; and
- (b). if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): The study estimates that the total economic impacts of inadequate sanitation in India amounts to Rs. 2.44 trillion (US\$53.8 billion) a year' – this was the equivalent of 6.4 percent of India's GDP in 2006. This means per person annual impact of Rs. 2,180 (US\$48). Sanitation is a state subject and it is the responsibility of the state governments to plan, implement and maintain infrastructure for the purpose. However the Govt. of India supports the state by providing funds for the implementation of sanitation projects and city sanitation plans. In addition, technical guidance and capacity building support is also provided.