GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3583 ANSWERED ON:15.12.2011 TOILETS CONSTRUCTED UNDER IAY Singh Shri Bhola

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the State-wise target fixed for construction of toilets in the houses constructed under the Indira Awas Yojana(IAY) during the 111`1 Five Year Plan period:
- (b) whether this target has been achieved so far;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to release funds for the construction of toilets in the houses constructed under the said scheme;
- (e) if so, the details thereof State-wise;
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI PRADEEP JAIN'ADITYA')

(a) to (c): Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) scheme has been dovetailed with Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC) Programme w.e.f 20th December, 2006 and the IAY beneficiary can avail fund available under that Programme for construction of a toilet with the IAY house. To ensure compliance of these instructions, a letter has been issued to the State Governments to make it mandatory that all IAY beneficiaries, if eligible, simultaneously are sanctioned one toilet each under TSC. However, due to people's traditional and cultural attitudes many rural households are reluctant to construct a sanitary latrine alongwith the house thereby resulting in non-achievement of the target. The beneficiaries are, however, persuaded and motivated to take up construction of sanitation latrines along with the construction of houses. IEC activities are also taken up to create awareness among the beneficiaries about benefits of toilets and thereof hygiene and cleanliness to bring about attitudinal changes. A Statement showing the State-wise physical target fixed under IAY, houses constructed and number of sanitary latrines constructed during the Eleventh Five Year Plan period i.e from 2007-08 to 2010-11 is at Annexure

(d)to(f): No additional amount is proposed to be released under IAY for making toilets in the houses as the funds are already available under TSC Programme.