

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

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

- (a) whether according to the latest census figures on households, 95 percent of the country's rural households do not have drainage connectivity or have open drainage connectivity for waste water outlet;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (c) the total funds allocated, released and utilised for the purpose during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

- (a): As per the census 2011 reports, 5.7% of rural households have closed drainage facility in the country while 31.0% have open drainage facility.
- (b): Government of India administers the Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC), a comprehensive programme started in the year 1999 to ensure sanitation facilities in rural areas with the main objective of eradicating the practice of open defecation and ensuring clean environment. Solid and Liquid Waste Management (SLWM) is an integral component of TSC with a provision for expenditure up to 10% of the project outlay. Under this component activities like common compost pits, low cost drainage, soakage channels/pits, reuse of waste water, system for collection, segregation and disposal of household garbage etc. are taken up.
- (c): TSC is a project based programme taking district as a unit. Funds to the project districts are released as per their eligibility in terms of TSC Guidelines against the approved project outlay and not against specific components. The total Central share released and utilised under TSC during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise is at Annexure.