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 Government has launched schemes for sanitation and solid and liquid waste management in rural areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of technical and financial assistance provided to various States during each of the last three years including the current year, State-wise, year-wise;
- (d) the number of villages covered under Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC), State-wise; and
- (e) the targeted time by which all the villages are likely to be covered fully under TSC?

Answer

MINISTER OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Sir. 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. TSC is a demand driven, project based programme taking district as a unit. The main components under the programme are Information Education and communication (IEC), incentives for Individual Household Latrines (IHHL), School Sanitation and Hygiene Education (SSHE), assistance for Community Sanitary Complex, Anganwadi toilets and Solid and Liquid Waste Management (SLWM). TSC promotes low cost decentralised onsite sanitation systems. Under SLWM there is a provision for expenditure up to 10% of the project outlay. 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 under this component.
- (c): Ministry provides technical assistance to the States through workshops, conferences, seminars and necessary documents on various aspects of programme implementation on a continuing basis. The details of financial assistance under TSC provided to various States during each of the last three years State-wise, year-wise is at Annexure-I. No funds have been released as of now in the current financial year.
- (d): TSC is project based programme taking district as a unit operated in demand driven mode presently being implemented in 607 rural districts of the country. The number of districts covered under Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC), state-wise is at Annexure-II. All Gram Panchayats of the project district with households not having sanitation facilities are covered under the programme.
- (e): With the existing trend of effective demand generated coupled with sufficient fund availability, it is expected that the present project objectives under TSC shall be achieved by the year 2017.