

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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TOTAL SANITATION CAMPAIGN

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

- (a) the details of sanitation coverage in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has reviewed the Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC) to ensure sanitation facilities in the rural areas of the country;
- (c) if so, the details and outcome thereof and the total funds allocated and utilised during the last three years and the current year; State-wise;
- (d) the number of districts where presently TSC is being implemented; and
- (e) whether the Government intends to cover more districts during the next two years under the schemes and if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI)

(a): The details of sanitation coverage in the country, State/UT-wise is at Annexure-I

(b)&(c): To accelerate the progress of sanitation in rural areas, Government of India has designed a paradigm shift in TSC which is now called the Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan (NBA), in the XIIth Five Year Plan. The objective of NBA is to achieve sustainable behavior change with provision of sanitary facilities in entire communities in a phased, saturation mode with "Nirmal Grams" as outcomes. The new strategy is to transform rural India into 'Nirmal Bharat' by adopting community saturation approach. The provision of incentive for individual household latrine units has been widened to cover all APL households who are SC/ST, small and marginal farmer, landless labourer with households, physically challenged and women headed households along-with all BPL households. Financial incentive for construction of toilets has been raised for all eligible beneficiaries to Rs. 4600 under NBA. In addition upto Rs. 4500 is permitted to be booked under Mahatma Gandhi NREGA for construction of the toilet and a beneficiary contribution of Rs.900/- taking the total unit cost of toilet to Rs.10,000/-. Conjoint approach with the scheme of National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) has been adopted to address the issue of availability of water in the Gram Panchayats for sustaining sanitation facilities created. Funds for capacity building of all stakeholders including Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) and field level implementers have been earmarked under the revised strategy. Convergence with other State Departments like Health, Women & Child Development and Panchayati Raj is being focused upon. Provision has been made for incentivizing Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHAs) & Anganwadi workers for promoting sanitation. Self Help Groups, Women's Groups & NGOs of repute are to be encouraged by states to participate in sanitation promotion. There is now a provision of social audit and active people's participation in the implementation process of NBA through Gram Sabhas. The component of Solid and Liquid Waste Management (SLWM) has been prioritized by developing a roster of options and focussed funding. Total funds released and utilized during the last three years and the current year; State-wise is at Annexure-II

(d) Presently NBA is being implemented in 607 rural districts of the country.

(e) Government intends to cover all remaining rural districts during the next two years under the Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan (NBA). The list of districts without Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan projects is at Annexure-III