## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3098 ANSWERED ON:30.08.2012 TOILETS IN SCHOOLS Kishor Shri Kamal

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

- (a) the total number of primary and upper primary schools in the country, including Uttar Pradesh along with the number of schools out of them lacking toilet and drinking water facility. State-wise:
- (b)wiiether the Government proposes to make toilet and safe drinking water facility available in these schools;
- (c)if so, the details thereof; and
- (d)the funds earmarked released and utilized for the purpose during each of the last three years and the current year. State wise?

## **Answer**

## MINISTER OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

- (a): As per the data provided by District Infonnation School Education (DISE) (2009-10) the total number of primary schools and upper primary schools in rural areas in the country and those without drinking water facility is at Annexure I. State wise figures of the number of toilet units for Schools in the rural areas remaining to be provided with sanitation facilities as per project objectives under Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan (NBA) is at Annexure-II,
- (b)&(c): Yes Sir. All the Government schools not having adequate toilet facilities constructed in the rural areas of the country and not covered under Sana Siksha Abhiyan are to be provided sanitation facilities under NBA. As regards safe drinking water, under the National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) States are to make safe drinking water facility available in all Government schools in rural areas.
- (d) Provision of drinking water facility is permitted under Coverage component of NRDWP for which upto 67% of the allocation can be utilized. There is no separate allocation made for drinking water supply in schools. The allocation, release and utilization of funds to the States under the NRDWP during the last three years and the current year is at Annexure 111. Under NBA funds are released in a project mode and hence no component-wise or year-wise allocations are made. However, the expenditure on school toilet units reported under NBA during the last three years and the current year as per progress reported by the States through online monitoring system maintained by the Ministry is at Annexure-IV.