

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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CONSTRUCTION OF TOILETS

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

- (a) the number of toilets constructed in the country with Central assistance during each of the last three years and the current year and the steps taken to ensure water supply therein, State/UT- wise;
- (b) the expenditure incurred thereon during the said period, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the number and percentage of households which have toilet facilities in the country, State- wise/UT-wise;
- (d) the number of households and their percentage in the country including Maharashtra who practice open defecation, State/UT-wise;
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to provide them toilet facilities and safe disposal of solid and liquid waste;
- (f) whether a large percentage of households in the country do not have drainage connectivity in their toilets; (g) if so, the details thereof, State/UT wise; and (h) the steps taken by the Government in this regard and to improve sanitation condition in the country?

Answer

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

- (a) The number of toilets constructed in the country with central assistance under the Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC)/ Nirraal Bharat Abhiyan (NBA) State/UT-wise, during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT wise is at Annexure-1. Under the revised Guidelines of Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan, a conjoint approach to water supply and sanitation has been adopted for ensuring water facilities to the toilets constructed. ...
- (b) The expenditure incurred on construction of Individual households latrines under the Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC)/ Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan (NBA) during last 3 years and current year State/UT wise is at Annexure-2.
- (c) The number and percentage of households which have toilet facilities in the country as per Census 2011, State-wise/UT-wise is at Annexure-3.
- (d) The number and percentage of households in the country, including Maharashtra, who practice open defecation as per Census 2011, State/UT-wise are at Annexure-4.
- (e) Government of India administers the Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan (NBA), a comprehensive programme to ensure sanitation facilities in rural areas with the main objective of eradicating the practice of open defecation and ensuring clean environment. Under NBA, there is provision of incentives for Below Poverty Line households and Identified Above Poverty Line households for the construction of Individual household latrines. Solid and Liquid Waste Management (SLWM) is one of the integral components of NBA and under this component, activities like construction of compost pits, vermin composting, common and individual biogas plants, low cost drainage, soakage channels/ pits, reuse of waste water and system for collection, segregation and disposal of household garbage etc. can be taken up. Solid and Liquid Waste Management (SLWM) projects under NBA can be taken up in each Gram Panchayat (GP) and total assistance is provided on the basis of total number of households in each GP, subject to a maximum of Rs.7 lakh for a GP having up to 150 households, Rs.12 lakh up to 300 households, Rs.15 lakh up to 500 households and Rs.20 lakh for GPs having more than 500 households. Funding for SLWM project under NBA is provided by the Central and State Government in the ratio of 70:30. Any additional cost requirement is to be met with funds from the State/GP.
- (f)&(g) Yes Madam. In rural areas, households generally construct Leach pit toilets which do not require drainage connectivity. Existing drainage system in rural areas normally do not carry Black water from toilets. However, information regarding rural households and number and percentage of households without drainage connectivity for Waste water outlet as per Census 2011 State/UT-wise is at Annexure-5.
- (h) To improve the sanitation condition in the country, Government of India has designed a paradigm shift in Total Sanitation Campaign(TSC) which is now called the Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan (NBA), in the XIth Five Year Plan. The objective of NBA is to achieve

sustainable behaviour change with provision of sanitary facilities in entire communities in a phased, saturation mode with `Nirmal Grams` as outcomes. NBA goal is to achieve 100% access to sanitation for all rural households by 2022.

Under NBA, following steps have been taken :

A shift from motivating individual household toilet construction to covering whole communities in a Gram Panchayat saturation mode for holistic sanitation outcome.

The scope of providing incentives for individual household latrine units has been widened to cover all APL households, who belong to SCs, STs, small and marginal farmers, landless labourers with homesteads, 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/- from the earlier amount of Rs 3200/- under NBA. In addition, upto Rs. 4500/- can be spent under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme for construction of the toilet. Along-with beneficiary contribution of Rs. 900/-, the total unit cost of toilet is now Rs. 10000/-.(Rs. 10500/- for Hilly and difficult areas)

More emphasis has been laid on Information Education Communication (IEC) with 15% of the total outlay of district projects earmarked for IEC activities. With a view to give thrust to a new approach towards IEC> the Ministry has launched a Communication and Advocacy Strategy (2012-2017).

Conjoint approach with National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) to ensure water availability for sanitation in Gram Panchayats. Focussed convergence of rural sanitation with associated Ministries including Health, School Education, Women and Child Development with NBA.