

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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PIPED DRINKING WATER  
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**Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) the percentage of rural households in Rajasthan in which the facilities of toilets and piped water are available as per 2011 census;
- (b) the status of rural households in Rajasthan in comparison to the neighbouring States of Haryana and Gujarat; and
- (c) the details of the measures proposed to be taken by the Government to provide the facilities of toilets and piped water in the rural areas in Rajasthan particularly in Churu region?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a) As per Census 2011, in Rajasthan State, 26.90 % rural habitations have access to Piped Water Supply, while 20.13% of rural households have access to toilet facilities.

(b) In comparison, in Haryana and Gujarat, 63.60% and 55.80% of rural habitations have access to piped drinking water respectively, while 57.71% of rural households in Haryana and 34.24% of rural households in Gujarat have access to toilet facilities.

(c) Rural water supply is a State subject. The State Governments are vested with powers to select, plan, approve and implement drinking water supply schemes under the National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP), to cover more habitations with piped drinking water supply. Under NRDWP funds are allocated to the States / UTs on the basis of pre-approved criteria. At the beginning of each financial year, the targets for coverage of habitations with drinking water supply are decided after Annual Action Plan. Under the Strategic Plan for rural drinking water supply for the period 2011-2022, covering the two Five Year Plan periods. The interim goal till 2017 i.e. by the end of 12th Five Year plan period, is to cover 50% of all rural households with piped water supply, and 35% of rural households with household tap connections. By 2022, the goal is to cover 90% of rural households with piped water supply and with 80% having household tap connections. As per information provided by State Govt. of Rajasthan on the online Integrated Management Information System (IMIS), in the State of Rajasthan, out of total of 1567 habitations in Churu region, 876 habitations are fully covered, 354 habitations are Partially covered and 337 habitations are Quality affected.

With respect to rural sanitation, to accelerate providing access to toilet facilities to every rural household in the country, the Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) has been launched on 2nd October, 2014, which aims at attaining an Open Defecation Free India by 2nd October, 2019. The following steps are being taken up under the Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) in the rural areas including in the Churu area of Rajasthan:-

The following Steps have been taken under {SBM(G)} to make the programme more effective and result oriented:

# A provision of incentives made available for the construction of Individual household latrine (IHHL) of Rs.12000 to all BPL households and to identified Above Poverty Line (APL) households(all SCs /STs, small and marginal farmers, landless labourers with homestead, physically handicapped and women-headed households). The entire provision for this Incentive shall be from the SBM(G).

# Part funding of assistance for IHHL from the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MNREGA) has been removed. Now the entire payment of incentive for IHHL will be either from SBM(G) or MNREGA.

# An amount of Rs. 2 lakh is available for the construction of Community Sanitary Complexes at a sharing pattern of 60:30:10 (Centre:State:Community).

# Development and use of Innovative, Low cost and User friendly technologies for toilets is being pursued.

# Demand for toilets is sought to be created by triggering 'Behaviour change' amongst the rural population, by intensifying Information, Education and Communication (IEC) and Inter Personal Communication (IPC) campaigns as sanitation is a mindset issue.

# Outputs (Construction) and Outcomes (Usage) of toilets under the programme will be monitored.

# Use of Technology to monitor household coverage with toilets, through Hand held devices to capture photos of beneficiary, toilet and Latitude and Longitude information into the Management Information System, has been taken up.

