

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether as per the recent India Rural Development Report, 20 per cent rural households do not have access to drinking water and sanitation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UTwise and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) the details of the ongoing Rural Drinking Water and Sanitation Schemes and the amount allocated, released and utilized during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (d) the targets fixed and the achievements made under the Drinking Water and Sanitation Schemes during the said period and the reasons for shortcomings, if any;
- (e) whether the desired results of the drinking water and sanitation schemes have not been achieved; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the novel measures taken/proposed to be taken to make the schemes more effective and result oriented?

Answer

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

(a) Yes Madam.

(b) The per cent rural houses that do not have access to Drinking Water, Electricity and Toilets as per India Rural Development Report released in 2013 by Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India is at Annexure-1. The Government is making all efforts to provide drinking water and sanitation facilities in the rural areas.

(c) The State-wise details of rural drinking water supply schemes which are taken up for implementation and completed during the period 2011-12 to 2014-15 is at Annexure II. The details of allocation, release and expenditure under the National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) in the last three years and current year are at Annexure III.

For rural sanitation, the government of India administers the Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin). The Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) {SBM(G)} has been launched on 2nd October, 2014, which aims inter-alia, at attaining a Open Defecation Free India by 2nd October, 2019, by providing access to toilet facilities to all rural households and initiating Solid and Liquid Waste Management activities in all Gram Panchayats to promote cleanliness. SBM(G) is demand driven scheme, hence no State-wise allocation made. However, details of central funds and funds utilized under the Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC)/ Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan (NBA)/ {SBM(G)} during last 3 years and current year are at Annexure-IV.

(d) The targets set and achievements reported during the last three years and current year under NRDWP for rural drinking water supply is at Annexure-V.

The achievements reported by the States into the Online Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) for rural sanitation under the Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan (NBA)/ Swachh Bharat Mission ({SBM(G)}) during the last three years and current year are at Annexure VI.

(e) Under drinking water supply it may be seen that the targets have been achieved by the States to a large extent.

Only about 22% of the rural families had access to toilets in 2001. With the efforts put into the Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC)/Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan(NBA), this has gone up to 32.70% as per Census 2011. Further as per NSSO 2012, 40.60% rural households have access to toilets.

(f) In order to improve the coverage of safe drinking water and sanitation in the rural areas of the country, the Ministry has now adopted a conjoined approach with holistic coverage/ saturation of Gram Panchayats. Necessary technical assistance in terms of Hydro-geo-morphological maps for identification of correct sites for production wells and recharge structures, handbook on drinking water treatment technologies, Uniform drinking water quality monitoring protocol have been made available to the States to improve performance of rural drinking water supply schemes.

With respect to rural sanitation, to accelerate providing access to toilet facilities to every rural household in the country, the following steps are being taken up under the Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin):-

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 for the Mahatama Gandhi National Rural Employment Gurantee 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).

Solid and Liquid Waste Management activities will be taken up in all Gram panchayats. Funds for Solid and Liquid Waste Management activities, with cap of Rs. 7/12/15/20 lakh may be made available for Gram Panchayats having upto 150/300/500/more than 500 households.

Development and use of Innovative, Low cost and User friendly technologies for toilets and Solid and Liquid Waste Management is being pursued.

Demand 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.

Strong Administrative structure will be set up for the Mission at Central, State and District and GP levels to ensure effective implementation.

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.