

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:173

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COMMUNITY SANITARY COMPLEXES

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

- (a) the number of public toilets/ Community Sanitary Complexes (CSCs) built in rural areas during each of the last three years and the current year, including the funds required/ released for the purpose during the said period.
- (b) whether these toilets/CSCs are sufficient to meet the requirement and if not, the steps taken/being taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) the details of agencies which construct these public toilets/CSCs indicating the criteria for their selection;
- (d) whether any study has been conducted to assess the condition/ maintenance of these public toilets/CSCs, if so, the details and outcome thereof and the steps being taken for the maintenance of public toilets across the country; and
- (e) the number of public toilets/CSCs proposed to be built during the current year, State/UT-wise and the other steps being taken by the Government to eradicate the practice of open defecation and ensure clean environment?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI BIRENDER SINGH)

(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the table of the House. Statement referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 173 for 4.12.20

(a) Under the rural sanitation programme, funds are not released component- wise. States can construct Community Sanitary Complexes (CSC) utilising the funds released to them under the Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) (SBM(G)). Upto Rs. 2 lakh is available for the construction of each Community Sanitary Complex with a sharing pattern of 60:30:10 between the Centre, State and the Community.

The number of CSCs constructed, State/UT-wise, in rural areas during the last three years and current year, under the Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC) (upto 1.4.2012), the Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan (NBA) (from 1.4.2012 till 2.10.2014) and the Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) (SBM(G))(2.10.2014 onwards) is at Annexure-1.

(b) and (c) Ordinarily CSCs are being constructed only when there is lack of space in the village for construction of household toilets and when the Community owns up the responsibility of their operation and maintenance. The construction of CSCs are done by the rural sanitation department of the States and usually handed over to the Gram Panchayats for operation and maintenance. Under the {SBM(G)}3 assistance for the creation of CSCs will be provided to Gram Panchayats which specifically requests for them, and where adequate operation and maintenance facilities are made available.

(d) Yes Madam. An Evaluation Study on Total Sanitation Campaign done in 2013 by Program Evaluation Organisation of Planning Commission, reported that with regard to the Community Sanitary Complexes, maintenance is the biggest problem. Many CSCs are not operational due to inadequate maintenance. Under the {SBM(G)}S the CSCs shall be constructed only on the demand of the Gram Panchayats and after ensuring that adequate operation and maintenance arrangements are in place.

(e) The number of CSCs proposed to be built State/UT-wise during the current year is at Annexure-2.

To eradicate the practice of open defecation and ensure clean environment, the Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) has been launched on 2 October, 2014, which aims at attaining a Open Defecation Free India by 2nd October, 2019, by providing access to toilet facilities to all households though Individual household latrines and CSCs and ensure a clean environment in villages through Solid and Liquid Waste Management activities.