

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has sanctioned Rs. 65,000 crore for the construction of toilets at national level;
- (b) if so, whether the Government's share will be Rs. 12,000 crore and the remaining amount would be financed by corporate houses;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the other steps being taken by the Government to improve the sanitation and hygiene in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION (SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a) to (c) Under the Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin), in order to achieve the objectives by 2nd October 2019, the total fund requirement is estimated to be Rs. 1,34,386 crore, out of which central share is Rs. 1,00,447 crore. The resources for the Mission are proposed to be made available inter-alia through :-

Budgetary allocations to Swachh Bharat Mission

Contributions to the Swachh Bharat Kosh;

Commitments under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)

(d) 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 have been taken under Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) to improve the sanitation and hygiene in the country:-

Provision of incentives for the construction of Individual household latrine (IHL) raised to Rs.12000 for all Below poverty Line (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 partial funding of incentive from MGNREGS has been stopped. The entire assistance now been provided under one programme.

Demand is sought to be created by triggering 'Behaviour change' by intensifying Information, Education and Communication (IEC) and Inter Personal Communication (IPC) campaigns as Sanitation is Mindset issue.

Partnerships of various stakeholders working on rural sanitation to be promoted including Multilateral organisations, Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs), Civil Society Organisations, Self Help Groups (SHGs), Institutions etc.

Outputs (Construction) and Outcomes (usage) to be monitored.

Use of Technology to monitor coverage and use through a Hand held device to capture photos of beneficiary's toilet and coordinates.

Innovative, Low cost and User friendly technologies for toilets and Solid and Liquid Waste Management will be pursued.