

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:236

ANSWERED ON:12.03.2015

TARGETS UNDER SWACHH BHARAT MISSION

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

- (a) the number of toilets targeted to be built in the next five years under the Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) and the funds required for the purpose, State/UT-wise and year-wise;
- (b) whether the Government is likely to miss the targets set in regard to construction of toilets to be built under SBM for the current year as only 27.24 lakh toilets have been constructed till 23rd February, 2015 as against the target to build 60 lakh toilets for the year 2014-15;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor and the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (d) whether the Government proposes to utilize the funds remained unspent under the Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan for SBM and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION(SHRI BIRENDER SINGH)

(a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. #236 for 12.3.2015.

(a) The Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) will endeavour through the States that 6.84 crore toilets get constructed and used over the period of next five years. The total fund requirement under the SBM(G) is estimated to be Rs. 1,34,386 crore, out of which Central share presently is Rs. 1,00,447 crore. The SBM(G) is a demand driven programme, hence no State-wise targets are fixed. They are decided at the beginning of each year in consultation with the States.

(b) And (c) For the year 2014-15, the target is 50 lakh, of which 40,12,185 have been constructed (as on 09.03.2015), which is 80.24%. The Swachh Bharat Mission aims at achieving behavioural change and demand generation, followed by construction. Since it involves attitudinal change, the process takes time. Consequent to 2.10.2014, the demand for construction of toilets is picking up.

(d) The unspent balances under the Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan are being utilized under Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin).