

**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 India continues to have the largest number of people who defecate in the open and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (b) the details of the amount earmarked/allocated and spent on construction of toilets during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise including Gujarat and the amount earmarked/allocated therefor for the next five years;
- (c) whether the Government is constructing separate toilets for women in the backward/tribal areas in some States;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the amount spent in each State during each of the last three years and the current year; and
- (e) the role of private players in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) Yes. As per Joint Monitoring Programme (JMP) Report Update - 2014 published by World Health Organization (WHO) and United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) as per data of the year 2012, around 60% of the of World's Population defecating in the Open are from India. As per National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO) 2012 Report, 40.60% rural households have toilets. Also as per Baseline Survey done by the States in 2012-13, coverage of toilets is 40.35%. Only about 22% of the rural families had access to toilets in 2001. This has gone up to 32.70% as per Census 2011. The Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) has been launched on 2nd October, 2014, which aims at accelerating sanitation coverage in rural areas to achieve the vision of Swachh Bharat by 2nd October 2019 by providing access to toilet facilities to all rural households and initiating Solid and Liquid Waste Management activities in Gram Panchayats to promote cleanliness.

(b) Under Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin), component-wise funds are not released. However, State/UT-wise Central share released and utilized during the last 3 years and the current year is at Annexure-1. Allocation is made on an yearly basis depending upon the Annual Implementation Plan of the States, performance and available resources on an annual basis. The States formulate their Annual Implementation Plan(AIP), including the funds required at the beginning of each year.

(c) No.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) The Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation has issued guidelines to facilitate the utilisation of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) funds in rural sanitation activities. States can use these guidelines as a base to develop their own procedure to attract/receive and utilise CSR funds. Many Corporates have announced taking up works in rural sanitation, which they are carrying out in consultation with state, district and local governments. As per Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) Guidelines, Non-Government Organisations have also been given an important role in the implementation of SBM (G) in the rural areas, especially for Information, Education and Communication (IEC) activities including triggering leading to demand generation capacity building, assistance in construction and ensuring sustained use of sanitation facilities.