GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION LOK SABHA

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

- (a) the number and percentage of households with access to toilet in the country including Maharashtra, State/UT;
- (b) the budget provision made for construction of toilets in the current Five Year Plan;
- (c) whether a sizeable number of toilets has been reported to be defunct;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to make these toilets functional?

Answer

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

- (a) Based on the information provided by the states in the online MIS of Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin), the State/UT-wise, number and percentage of households with access to toilet in the country including Maharashtra as on date is at Annexure-1.
- (b) The allocation for rural sanitation in the 12th Five Year Plan was Rs. 37159 crore.
- (c) Yes.
- (d) As per Baseline Survey conducted by the States in 2012-13, 1.45 crore (20.56%) toilets were found to be defunct. The possible reasons for the same could be lack of behavior change of households, poor quality of construction because of low incentive during earlier period of Total Sanitation Campaign, etc. State/UT-wise number and percentage of defunct toilets is at Annexure-2.
- (e) As per the SBM(G) guidelines, appropriate information is to be provided to the beneficiary regarding the maintenance of the toilets provided. The State Governments may make these toilets functional through behaviour change and self-motivation of such people. Sanitation sector has been made a priority sector for lending by banks. Further, loans from revolving fund are also available under the SBM(G) scheme. The other possible sources are funding from Corporates as part of Corporate Social Responsibility and through Swachh Bharat Kosh.