

**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) the number of toilets constructed during each of the last two years and the current year under Swachh Bharat Mission(SBM)-Gramin, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the percentage of these newly constructed toilets which are fully functional and attached to sewage lines;
- (c) the percentage of these newly constructed toilets which are actually inuse/operational;
- (d) the number of villages that have been declared "open defecation-free",State/UT-wise; and
- (e) whether the usage of toilets has been increased in rural areas during the said period and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION
(SHRI RAMESH CHANDAPPA JIGAJINAGI)

- (a)State/UT-wise, Individual household latrines (IHHLs) constructed underSwachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) (SBM(G)) during each of the last two years and thecurrent year, as per the information uploaded by the States/UTs on the online Integrated Management Information System(IMIS) of SBM(G) is at Annexure-1.
- (b) and (c) The National Sample Survey Office conducted a Survey in 2015 (published as Swachhta Status Report, 2016), as per which, out of the households having sanitary toilets, 95.6% people were found to be using the same. Under SBM(G), most of the toilets use on-site disposal technology (such as twin leach pit toilets) and do not require connection with sewage lines for safe disposal of faeces.
- (d) State/UT-wise, number of villages that have been declared "open defecation-free" as per the information uploaded by the States/UTs on the online Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) of SBM(G) is at Annexure-2.
- (e) Yes, Madam. The focus of Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) is on behaviour change of people to adopt safe sanitation and use toilet. As per the baseline survey conducted in 2012-13, the percentage of functional toilets was only 79.42%. The Swachhta Status Report, 2016 indicates increase in usage.