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Title: Need to address the problem of shortage of toilets in schools in the country.

SHRI BADRUDDIN AJMAL (DHUBRI): As per the recent report of UNICEF, 84% schools have drinking water facilities overall in India. But nearly half of the schools in Assam, Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya do not have this facility, 65% schools have common toilets in India, however, only one fourth schools in Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Chandigarh, Delhi, Jammu & Kashmir, Jharkhand, Orissa and Rajasthan have this facility.

54% Schools have separate toilets for girls. On average, only one in nine schools in Assam, Meghalaya, Manipur have separate toilets and one in four schools in Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jammu & Kashmir, Jharkhand and Orissa.

I, therefore, urge upon the Government to take immediate action and direct the concerned authorities to solve the problems as early as possible for the greater interest of children.

...(Interruptions)

MR. CHAIRMAN: The House stands adjourned to meet again on Wednesday, the 30th November, 2011 at 11 a.m.

12.02 hrs

The Lok Sabha then adjourned till Eleven of the Clock

on Wednesday, November 30, 2011/ Agrahayana 9, 1933 (Saka).

* Due to continuous interruptions in the House, Starred questions could not be taken up for oral answers. Therefore, these starred questions were treated as unstarred questions.

* Not recorded.