

Abhiyan (NBA) is being implemented in 24 districts of Jharkhand. All villages in the district are supposed to be covered under the programme. As per Census 2011, 8.30 % of rural households in Jharkhand are having access to toilets.

(b) NBA goal is to achieve 100% access to sanitation for all rural households in the country by 2022. Also as per Twelfth Plan objectives, 50% of all the Gram Panchayats including the ones in Jharkhand are to become Nirmal Grams by 2017.

(c) The details of Opening balance, Central funds released, expenditure incurred and unspent balance in respect of Jharkhand State for the last five years is given below :-

(Rs. in lakh)

	Opening balance (at the beginning of the financial year)	Released during the year	Expenditure during the year	Unspent balance (at the end of the corresponding financial year)
2008-09	3246.64	3188.20	3001.85	3432.99
2009-10	3432.99	3941.66	3871.91	3502.74
2010-11	3502.74	5466.98	3653.66	5316.06
2011-12	5316.06	7264.92	2334.84	10246.14
2012-13	10246.14	4193.31	1883.80	12556.65

Supply of safe drinking water in villages

2994. SHRIMATI VASANTHI STANLEY : Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the percentage of villages in the country getting safe drinking water; and
- (b) whether the Ministry has fully utilised the funds for rural water supply?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI) : (a) This Ministry monitors the provision of safe drinking water supply in rural areas in terms of coverage of habitations. As reported by the States/UTs on the online Integrated Management Information System of the Ministry, the percentage of habitations in the country getting safe drinking water is 94.65%.

(b) Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation had a budgetary allocation of Rs. 10500 crore under the National Rural Drinking Water Programme in 2012-13, of which Rs 10489.06 crore i.e, 99.90% of the allocated fund was utilized.

Integration of water supply with sanitation

2995. DR. JANARDHAN WAGHMARE :

SHRI N.K. SINGH :

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

(a) whether there is a proposal to institutionalize the integration of water supply with sanitation in each habitation;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI) : (a) and (b) Yes Sir. During the Twelfth Five Year Plan, Government of India has decided to adopt a conjoint approach to drinking water supply and sanitation in rural areas. Under this, the States have been urged to prioritize taking up piped water supply schemes in those Gram Panchayats which are fully covered with Individual Household latrines (IHHL). Similarly, priority in construction of Individual household latrines is given to Gram Panchayats with full coverage of piped water supply provision.

(c) Does not arise.

Level of water table

2996. DR. JANARDHAN WAGHMARE :

SHRI N.K. SINGH :

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the data on levels of water table;

(b) whether it is a fact that the lowering of water table has resulted in salinity and chemical pollution, making water non-potable;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether any measures are being proposed by Government to rectify the same; and