

(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