

NBA in Jharkhand

2617. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU: Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has undertaken any programmes under the Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan (NBA) in Jharkhand;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the quantum of funds earmarked for this programme and the funds released, so far;

(d) whether Jharkhand Government has recommended any programmes under NBA; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI UPENDERA KUSHWAHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government of India administers through the States/UTs, the Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan (NBA) in the country, including in the State of Jharkhand, which is a comprehensive programme to ensure sanitation facilities in rural areas, including construction of toilets, with the main objective of eradicating the practice of open defecation and ensuring clean environment. The goal of NBA is to achieve 100% access to sanitation for all rural households by 2022. Presently the NBA is under implementation in 607 districts of Country, including in 24 districts of Jharkhand.

(c) The NBA programme is implemented on the basis of approved district plans. Out of Central share of the district plans for Jharkhand amounting to ₹604.85 crore, ₹343.62 crores have been released to Jharkhand till 30.6.2014.

(d) and (e) Under the NBA, 24 districts plans are already under implementation in Jharkhand.

Tackling of contaminated water issue

2618. SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL:

SHRI C.M. RAMESH:

SHRI K.C. TYAGI:

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

(a) whether Government is facing any difficulty in tackling habitations, across the