

Gram Panchayats within a district for the implementation of the programme in any year including construction of individual toilets, school and anganwadi toilets and Solid and Liquid Waste Mangment projects.

(c) As reported by Govt, of Himachal Pradesh, an estimate providing drinking water supply from Bingule to village Nandla amounting to ₹ 14.02 lakhs has been prepared for which ₹ 5.00 lakhs have been sanctioned by the Deputy Commissioner, Shimla under Backward Area Sub-Plan and the work is being taken up.

(d) Government of Himachal Pradesh is already implementing the schemes of National Rural Drinking Water Programme and Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan (NBA) in the State. It is for the State Government to priotitise the areas in which the programme is to be implemented.

Swachh Bharat Mission

13. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI: Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government propose to launch a 'Swachh Bharat Mission';
- (b) if so, the objectives of the Mission;
- (c) how it is proposed to be implemented;
- (d) whether any time bound programme has been chalked out in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI NITIN GADKARI): (a) to (e) The matter is under examination.

Shortage of drinking water

†14. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of villages suffering with the shortage of drinking water in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the effective measure for supply of safe drinking water and the action plan for its implementation; and
- (c) the amount of assistance released by the Central Government for supplying drinking water during the last five years, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI NITIN GADKARI): (a) The Ministry maintains the data regarding coverage of rural population with drinking water supply in terms of habitations. Shortage of drinking water to a rural

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