

Sl. No.	Name of the District
22.	Muzaffarpur
23.	Nalanda
24.	Nawada
25.	Pashchim Champaran
26.	Patna
27.	Purba Champaran
28.	Purnia
29.	Rohtas
30.	Saharsa
31.	Samastipur
32.	Saran
33.	Sheikhpura
34.	Sheohar
35.	Sitamarhi
36.	Siwan
37.	Supaul
38.	Vaishali

Providing clean toilets to every citizen

1454. SHRI T. RATHINAVEL: Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that over 600 million people defecate in the open and the resultant impact of bad sanitation is estimated at ₹ 2.4 lakh crore annually, according to a group of experts;

(b) whether it is also a fact that according to a group of experts Government is primarily responsible for implementing the ambitious project to provide clean toilets to every citizen;

- (c) whether the average cost of an individual toilet for a family six works out to ₹ 20,000 for a period of five years; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV): (a) As per the Joint Monitoring Programme (JMP) Report 2015 Update, published by World Health Organization (WHO) and United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), about 564 million people defecate in the open in India.

(b) Government has launched Swachh Bharat Mission on 2.10.2014 with a goal to facilitate States in acceleration of rural sanitation coverage towards achievement of Swachh Bharat by 2.10.2019.

(c) and (d) The average cost of individual toilet varies depending on several factors. The Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin), provides an incentive amount to eligible people, who construct their own toilets. This incentive amount has been increased from ₹ 10000 to ₹ 12000 with effect from 2nd October, 2014.

Allocation for safe drinking water in rural areas

1455. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR:

SHRI ARVIND KUMAR SINGH:

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

- (a) whether allocations for safe drinking water in rural areas have been decreased during the current financial year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the allocations made for safe drinking water during 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16, State-wise;
- (c) the reasons for sharp decline in allocation for safe drinking water in rural areas during 2014-15; and
- (d) how Government would provide safe drinking water in arsenic and fluoride affected rural areas with decreased allocation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV): (a) Yes , Sir.

(b) During the financial year 2014-15, the budget for Drinking Water and Sanitation was ₹ 9250 crores which has been reduced to ₹ 2611.00 crores for the