

the programme. Against the expected outcome of 50 lakh for individual latrines for the year 2014-15, 58,54,987 latrines were constructed, which is an achievement of 117% of the target. During 2015-16, 127.41 lakh toilets have already been constructed as on 31.03.2015 against target of 120.00 lakh. For the year 2016-17, against the expected outcome of 1.5 crore individual latrines, 2179944 latrines (14.53%) have been constructed as on 11.07.2016. Since the launch of Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) on 2nd October, 2014, 198.69 lakh toilets have already been constructed under SBM (G) as on 11.07.2016. In addition to these, 12.75 lakh toilets have been constructed under MGNREGA since 2.10.2014. A baseline survey was conducted in 2012-13 by the States, as per which, the rural sanitation coverage was 38.76%. This has increased to 52.97% as on 11.07.2016. Also, 16 Districts, 210 Blocks, 28710 GPs and 65533 Villages have been declared Open Defecation Free (ODF) as on 11.07.2016.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Construction of toilets along with bathrooms in rural areas

19. DR. K. V. P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received suggestions that bathrooms should be built alongwith toilets in rural areas;

(b) if so, whether Government would consider making changes in the basic concept of the programme; and

(c) whether Government would fix any time-frame for completing the project across the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI RAMESH CHANDAPPA JIGAJINAGI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

Utilising toilets constructed under SBM

20. SHRI K. T. S. TULSI: Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of toilets built under the Swachh Bharat Mission which are lying unused or are being used as garbage bins; and

(b) the details of steps, if any, taken by Government to make these toilets usable?