

(b) whether Government has considered urban congestion and poverty, which can lead to higher health and environmental risk in urban areas, for division of the funds between SBM-Gramin and SBM-Urban, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, whether Government plans to increase the allocation of funds to SBM Gramin and Urban?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI RAMESH CHANDAPPA JIGAJINAGI): (a) Yes, Sir. Under Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) [SBM(G)], a total amount of ₹52,179.37 crore has been allocated during the last 4 years and the current year, while the total funds allocated under Swachh Bharat Mission (Urban) [(SBM-U)] for the mission period of five years is ₹ 14,622.73 crore.

(b) and (c) Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM-G and SBM-U) was launched with effect from 2nd October, 2014 to achieve universal sanitation coverage in the country by 2nd October, 2019. SBM(G) aims at achieving universal sanitation coverage by providing access to toilet facilities to all rural households in the country. Under SBM(G), an incentive of ₹ 12000 is provided for construction of a safe household toilet with water facility to the eligible households.

SBM(U) aims at making urban India free from open defecation and achieving 100% scientific management of municipal solid waste in 4,041 statutory towns in the country. The estimated cost of implementation of SBM (U) is based on unit and per capita costs for its various components. Under SBM (U), 80% of urban households defecating in the open to be targeted for construction of household toilets and 20% of urban households defecating in the open to be targeted for construction of community toilets.

Allocation and utilisation of funds for IEC

2751. SHRI VIVEK K. TANKHA: Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as per Swachh Bharat Mission guidelines, eight per cent of funds are to utilized for Information, Education and Communication (IEC) activities, but allocation towards this component has remained in the one per cent to four per cent range only; and

(b) if so, reasons therefor and the details of the unutilised component of funds earmarked for IEC component and the reasons for non-utilisation thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI RAMESH CHANDAPPA JIGAJINAGI): (a) and (b) Under Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) [SBM(G)], up to 5% of the programme funds is to be spent on Information, Education and Communication (IEC) and capacity building at the State/district level, and up to 3% at the Central level. Under the programme, consolidated funds are released to the States/UTs for all the activities including IEC. As sanitation is a State subject, flexibility has been provided to the State for implementation of SBM(G).

Allocation of funds to A.P.

2752. SHRI Y. S. CHOWDARY: Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated/granted under various schemes of the Ministry to the State of Andhra Pradesh during the last three years;

(b) the details of funds released under various schemes to the State of Andhra Pradesh during the last three years;

(c) the details of funds yet to be released/ due to the State of Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) the time-frame fixed by which these funds would be released to the State of Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI RAMESH CHANDAPPA JIGAJINAGI): (a) to (d) There are two Central schemes being administered by Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation namely - Swachh Bharat Mission-Gramin (SBM-G) and National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP), which are being implemented in rural areas. The details of funds allocation/release to the State of Andhra Pradesh during last 3 years under both the schemes are as follows:

(i) **National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP)**

(₹ in crore)

Year	Allocation	Release
2015-16	156.69	170.05
2016-17	181.02	204.00
2017-18	159.51	233.09