

Allocation of Swachh Bharat Fund towards IEC activities

1648. SHRI VIVEK K. TANKHA: Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that for the financial year 2017-18, only ₹ 200.70 crore out of a total of ₹ 10,678.49 crore was spent on Information, Education and Communication (IEC) activities to induce a behavioural change in the sanitation habits of the public;
- (b) if so, the reasons for spending only 1.87 per cent of Swachh Bharat Fund on sensitizing the public towards proper sanitation;
- (c) due to such a meagre allocation, whether Government feels that IEC activities are not required for Swachh Bharat Mission to be a success; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI (SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA): (a) to (d) On Information, Education and Communication (IEC) activities under Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin), during the year 2017-18, an amount of ₹ 320.16 crores was spent by the Central Government and ₹ 432.59 crores was spent by the State Government out of both, Central share as well as State share. The allotment of budget for IEC activities and its expenditure by the Central Government as well as State Governments, are as per the Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) guidelines. Besides, several IEC related activities for behavior change were also undertaken by other Central Government, Ministries, Development Partners, Members of the Civil Societies, Media and Entertainment Sector.

CAG report on NRDWP targets

1649. SHRI DEREK O'BRIEN: Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether according to a report by the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India tabled in Parliament, the National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP), has failed to achieve its targets of supplying safe drinking water to all rural habitations by 2017; and
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps Government plans to take to set new targets and ensure the new targets are met?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI (SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA): (a) and (b) As Per the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) report 15 of 2018 „Performance Audit of National Rural Drinking Water Programme

(NRDWP)%, the NRDWP could not achieve the 12th plan aim of providing safe drinking water to all rural households. The reasons are partly attributable to deficiencies in implementation by various States non-functional sustainability structures and gaps in contract management. It is the State Government that set the targets under the programme as per their annual action plans.

Major lift irrigation project

1650. SHRI B. LINGAIAH YADAV: Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Jawahar Nettampadu Lift Major Irrigation Project which benefits Mahaboob Nagar district in Telangana commenced in 2005, but has not yet been completed;
- (b) whether the gestation period has been overrun long time back;
- (c) if so, the details and reasons for cost and time overrun;
- (d) whether the likely date of completion was 2012; and
- (e) if so, the reasons for not completing within the time-frame and by when it is going to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI (SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA): (a) to (e) Water resources projects are planned, funded, executed and maintained by the State Governments themselves as per their own resources and priorities. As intimated by State Government of Telangana, Jawahar Nettampadu Lift Major Irrigation Scheme was taken up for execution in 2005. Likely year of completion was 2012. However, it is now scheduled to be completed during 2020. The project was originally sanctioned for an amount of ₹ 1428.00 crore. The cost of the project was subsequently revised twice to ₹1862.73 crore (as on May, 2014) and ₹2331.47 crore (as on November, 2016).

The State has reported that major bottleneck leading to cost and time overrun is delay inland acquisition.

Drought conditions in the country

1651. SHRIMATI WANSUK SYIEM: Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the storage in the country's reservoirs is just over normal, compared to the levels for this time of the year and those in western and southern regions are way behind those levels;