

1	2	3	4	5	6
3.	Bihar	Ganga	5104.76	603.18	606.00
		Gandhak	21.00	0	4.50
		Kharkari	60.79	3.56	9.0
4.	Jharkhand	Ganga	156.12	71.29	15.50
5.	West Bengal	Ganga	2882.91	607.73	640.00
		Ramodar	672.49	0	175.00
		Banka	234.31	0	50.00
6.	Himachal Pradesh	Yamuna	11.57	0	1.72
7.	Haryana	Yamuna	217.87	148.27	145.00
8.	Delhi	Yamuna	2361.08	382.19	1384.50
TOTAL			23130.95	3980.69	4844.64

#### Parameters for ODF district

894. SHRI BINOY VISWAM: Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

(a) the parameters on which a district is declared Open Defecation Free (ODF); and

(b) whether there is any district in the country that is still practicing open defecation, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI (SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA): (a) As per Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) [SBM(G)] guidelines, Open Defecation Free (ODF) means termination of faecal-oral transmission. Under SBM(G), a village/district is to be declared ODF, based on the following parameters:-

- no visible faeces found in the environment/village, and
- every household as well as public/community institution(s) using safe technology option for disposal of faeces.

Under SBM(G), a district is declared ODF when all the villages of the district have declared themselves as ODF.

(b) As per the data reported by the States on online Integrated Management Information System of SBM(G), 699 districts and all the 5,99,963 villages of the country have declared themselves as ODF.

### **Groundwater recharging in Punjab**

895. SARDAR BALWINDER SINGH BHUNDER: Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware that rainfall was highest in the country this year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise, particularly in the State of Punjab; and
- (c) steps taken by Government to recharge the groundwater, as it is not being recharged inspite of heavy rains?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI (SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA): (a) and (b) As per information received from India Meteorological Department, Ministry of Earth Sciences, State-wise rainfall details including Punjab are given in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) Water being a State subject, efforts to conserve and manage ground water is primarily States responsibility. A number of States have done notable work in this regard. Of these, mention can be made of 'Mukhyamantri Jal Swavlamban Abhiyan' in Rajasthan, 'Jalyukt Shibar' in Maharashtra, 'Sujalam Sufalam Abhiyan' in Gujarat, 'Mission Kakatiya' in Telangana, 'Neeru Chettu' in Andhra Pradesh among others.

Government of India launched Jal shakti Abhiyan which is a time bound campaign with a mission mode approach intended to improve water availability including ground water conditions in the water stressed blocks of 256 districts in India. In this regard, teams of officers from Central Government along-with technical officers from Ministry of Jal Shakti were deputed to visit water stressed districts and to work in close collaboration with district level officials to undertake suitable interventions.

Central Government supports construction of water harvesting and conservation works primarily through Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana - Watershed Development Component (PMKSY-WDC).