

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI
DEPARTMENT OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION**

**RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *228 (3rd Position)
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15-07-2019**

Setting up bio-toilets in village-panchayats in Telangana

***228. DR. BANDA PRAKASH:**

Will the Minister of **JAL SHAKTI** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any proposal to set up bio-toilets in village panchayats in the State of Telangana;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise; and
- (c) the time-frame by which all the village panchayats are likely to be covered under the scheme?

**ANSWER
MINISTER OF JAL SHAKTI
(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)**

(a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to Rajya Sabha Starred Question No.

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(a) to (c) The Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation has been implementing Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) [SBM(G)], a Centrally Sponsored Scheme, across the country to facilitate States in accelerating rural sanitation coverage. The Department promotes use of twin pit toilets in which human faeces automatically becomes manure in 1-2 years and are much cheaper and effective. However, SBM(G) guidelines provide flexibility to the States/UTs to choose appropriate toilet technology for safe disposal of human excreta. As per the information received from Government of Telangana, presently there is no proposal for construction of bio-toilets in the State.