GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO -770
ANSWERED ON - 26/07/2023

JUSTIFICATION OF MANUAL SCAVENGERS IN SURVEYS

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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:-

(a) number of Manual Scavengers identified in two surveys held in years 2013 and 2018, State-wise details thereof;

(b) number of districts, State-wise, which have yet to overcome Manual Scavenging;

(c) number of district neither declared themselves Manual Scavenging free nor uploaded details on Mobile App;

(d) number of districts shown Manual Scavenging free as on date, State-wise; and

(e) number of Genrobotics, man hole cleaning robots deployed, State-wise data thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE)

(a) Two surveys have been conducted at the initiative of the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment during the year 2013 and 2018 for the identification of Manual Scavengers. State-wise details of identified manual scavengers is at **Annexure-I**

(b) to (d) There is no report of practice of manual scavenging in any districts. We have requested all districts either to declare themselves free from manual scavenging or upload the data of insanitary latrine and manual scavengers associated with it on "Swachhta Abhiyan" mobile app. However, no credible data has been uploaded on the app so far.

Out of 766 districts in the country, 530 districts have reported themselves as manual scavenging-free, as per **Annexure-II**.

(e) Brand specific data on man hole cleaning apparatus is not maintained centrally.

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Annexure-I referred in reply to part (a) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 770 for answer on 26.07.2023 regarding Justification of manual scavengers in surveys

Number of MS identified under two surveys

S.NO.	State	National Survey 2018	MS survey 2013	Total
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1734	59	1793
2.	Assam	3771	150	3921
3.	Bihar	0	131	131
4.	Chhatisgarh	0	3	3
5.	Gujarat	105	0	105
6.	Jharkhand	192	0	192
7.	Karnataka	2238	689	2927
8.	Kerala	518	0	518
9.	Madhya Pradesh	474	36	510
10.	Maharashtra	6325	0	6325
11.	Odisha	0	230	230
12.	Punjab	141	90	231
13.	Rajasthan	2340	333	2673
14.	Tamil Nadu	56	342	398
15.	Uttar Pradesh	20884	11589	32473
16.	Uttarakhand	4854	134	4988
17.	West Bengal	585	95	680
	Grand Total	44217	13881	58098

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Annexure-II referred in reply to parts (b) to (d) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 770 for answer on 26.07.2023 regarding Justification of manual scavengers in surveys

Details of districts

S No.	Name of States/UT	No. of Districts	No. of Districts from where Report regarding Manual Scavenging free	No. of Districts report not received
1	A AND N ISLANDS	3	3	0
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	26	11	15
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	26	14	12
4	ASSAM	35	19	16
5	BIHAR	38	38	0
6	CHANDIGARH	1	1	0
7	CHHATTISGARH	33	33	0
8	DELHI	11	8	3
9	GOA	2	2	0
10	GUJARAT	33	25	8
11	HARYANA	22	16	6
12	HIMACHAL PRADESH	12	12	0
13	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	20	6	14
14	JHARKHAND	24	12	12
15	KARNATAKA	31	29	2
16	KERALA	14	12	2
17	LADAKH	2	2	0
18	LAKSHADWEEP	1	1	0
19	MADHYA PRADESH	52	24	28
20	MAHARASHTRA	36	15	21
21	MANIPUR	16	2	14
22	MEGHALAYA	12	10	2
23	MIZORAM	11	11	0
24	NAGALAND	16	10	6
25	ODISHA	30	11	19
26	PUDUCHERRY	4	2	2
27	PUNJAB	23	16	7
28	RAJASTHAN	33	33	0
29	SIKKIM	6	6	0
30	TAMIL NADU	38	38	0
31	TELANGANA	33	10	23
32	DADRA AND NAGAR HAVELI AND DAMAN AND DIU	3	3	0
33	TRIPURA	8	8	0
34	UTTAR PRADESH	75	67	8
35	UTTARAKHAND	13	12	1
36	WEST BENGAL	23	8	15
	TOTAL	766	530	236

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