

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3384
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.03.2018

Aid to Andhra Pradesh under NRDWP

3384. DR. RAVINDRA BABU:

Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering to increase the budgetary allocation for National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) which is critical for State Governments and Local Self-Governments in creation of rural drinking water infrastructure and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government is aware of the project by the Government of Andhra Pradesh, titled “NTR Sujala Pathakam” to provide safe drinking water to every household in 20 liter cans at a nominal price of Rs. 2.00 each; and
- (c) if so, whether the Government is planning to aid the State of Andhra Pradesh in implementation of the said programme and increase the allocation for the State under NRDWP and Swachh Bharat Mission?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION
(SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA)

- (a) Funds under National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) are allocated to the States as per a pre-approved criteria. During 2017-18, Government of India has released Rs. 217.60 crores to State of Andhra Pradesh against allocation of Rs. 144.08 crores. This includes incentive fund of Rs. 52.00 crores based on the performance of the State. During 2018-19, a tentative budgetary allocation of Rs. 187.10 crores has been made for the State of Andhra Pradesh.
- (b) Yes Madam.
- (c) As reported by State Government, “NTR Sujala Pathakam” is a State specific programme and allocation is not being increased for that particular program. However, the Government of India (through NITI Aayog) has provided separate fund of Rs. 21.26 crores for providing safe drinking water facilities through community purification plants to the fluoride affected habitations.

The Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) (SBM(G)) has been launched on 2nd October, 2014, which aims at attaining Swachh Bharat by 2nd October 2019. The focus of the scheme is on behavior change and usage of toilets. Central share released to Andhra Pradesh under SBM(G) during last 3 years and current year is as under :-

Year	Fund released (Rs. In crore)
2014-15	116.10
2015-16	234.17
2016-17	342.17
2017-18(Upto 13.3.2018)	1190.70

