

**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation**

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.6427  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05-04-2018

**ODF Villages in Madhya Pradesh**

**6427. SHRI ANOOP MISHRA:**

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

- (a) the details of villages in Madhya Pradesh which have been declared as Open Defecation Free (ODF) during the last three years;
- (b) the amount spent to make these villages open defecation free during the said period; and
- (c) the policy bottlenecks and implementation deficiencies noticed in making a village open defecation free along with the remedial action taken thereon?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER &  
SANITATION**

**(SHRI RAMESH CHANDAPPA JIGAJINAGI)**

- (a) In total 23,537 villages have been declared Open Defecation Free (ODF) in Madhya Pradesh during last 3 years as on 28.3.2018.
- (b) Rs.2640.64 crores have been spent as Central share in Madhya Pradesh under Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin).
- (c) Sanitation is mainly a behavioral issue. It involves change of mindset of people to stop open defecation and to adopt safe sanitation practices. Under Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) [SBM(G)], upto 5% of the programme funds is to be spent on Information, Education and Communication (IEC) and capacity building at the State and District level, and upto 3% is to be spent at the Central level. States are also carrying out IEC campaign including interpersonal Communication (IPC). Many States are focusing on community approaches, wherein the people are directly triggered and made aware about the importance of sanitation and hygiene using interactive individual/ community-based triggering tools. Besides, conventional IEC tools are also used to educate the people.