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Construction of Separate Toilets in Schools for Girls and Boys in Chhattisgarh

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal for the construction of separate toilets for boys and girls in Government schools;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and whether separate toilets have been constructed for boys and girls in all the primary, high and higher secondary schools in the State of Chhattisgarh;
- (c) whether all the constructed toilets are fully functional; and
- (d) if not, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(SHRIMATI ANNPURNA DEVI)

(a): The Department of School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Education is implementing Samagra Shiksha from 2018-19 to support States and UTs for strengthening of existing Government schools and for creation and augmentation of infrastructure facilities including separate toilets for boys and girls, based on the gaps determined from Unified District Information System for Education (UDISE+) and proposals received from respective State/ Union Territory. The need for schools and also the infrastructural facilities in schools including separate toilets for boys and girls are worked out every year by the respective State/Union Territory on incremental basis depending on their need and priority and reflected in their Annual Work Plan & Budget (AWP&B). These plans are then appraised and approved/estimated by the Project Approval Board (PAB) in the Department of School Education & Literacy in consultation with the States and Union Territories.

Department of School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Education had launched Swachh Vidyalaya Initiative (SVI), in partnership with Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) and Private Corporates, to provide separate toilets for girls and boys in all Government schools. Under the initiative, 4,17,796 toilets, including 1.91 lakh girls' toilets, were completed in 2,61,400 Government Elementary and Secondary schools, as reported by the States and UTs.

(b) to (d): According to the information furnished by the State Government of Chhattisgarh, 54 boys' toilets and 94 girls' toilets have been constructed at the elementary level and 377 boys' toilets and 667 girls' toilets have been constructed at the secondary level under Samagra Shiksha i.e. during 2018-19 to 2023-24 and all these toilets are fully functional.
