

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI
DEPARTMENT OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2308
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.03.2020

Open Defecation Free

2308. SHRI NITESH GANGA DEB:

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

- (a) whether the target of Open Defecation Free has been achieved in the country by the end of December, 2019;
- (b) if so, the details of toilets built by the Government by the end of December, 2019;
- (c) whether the Government has fixed any deadline to complete the toilet projects in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI
(SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA)

- (a) Under Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen) [SBM(G)], all the 6,03,175 villages in the country have declared themselves Open Defecation Free (ODF) as on 2.10.2019. The Government has further advised all the States to ensure that no one is left behind under SBM(G) and to identify the missed out rural households, if any, and support them to construct toilets under the programme.
- (b) Under SBM(G), **10.24 crore** individual household latrines (IHHLs) were constructed from 2.10.2014 to 31.12.2019.
- (c) and (d) The Government has approved Phase-II of SBM(G) for the period from 2020-21 to 2024-25, with the focus on ODF sustainability by providing access to toilets facilities to the newly emerging eligible rural households of the country and Solid and Liquid Waste Management (SLWM) in the villages.