

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI
DEPARTMENT OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.777
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.02.2020

Swachhata Hi Seva

**777. SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:
SHRI SHIVAKUMAR C. UDASI:
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR S.:
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has organized Swachhata Hi Seva (SHS) 2019, a Jan Andolan for Swachhata focussing on Plastic Waste Management and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether all the States have been encouraged to ban the use of Single Use Plastic products during the campaign period and if so, the details thereof along with the success achieved;
- (c) the State which has been selected and awarded as the best in the plastic waste management category during SHS, 2019 along with the amount allocated and spent under SHS; and
- (d) whether the Government has achieved the objective of organising SHS which has focussed on Plastic Waste Management and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Swachhata Hi Seva (SHS) 2019 Campaign was organised from 11th September to 2nd October, 2019 focusing on plastic waste management. Awareness campaigns were organised across the country during the period. A nationwide shramdaan to collect and segregate plastic waste was organised on October 2, 2019.
- (b) All States were advised to discourage the use of single use plastic products. During the campaign, 6 States and 171 Districts had banned single use plastic.
- (c) No State was selected for the award in plastic waste management category during SHS, 2019. No separate funds were allocated for Swachhata Hi Seva campaign.
- (d) Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Ministry of Jal Shakti organised SHS 2019 with the theme “Plastic Waste Management” for focused action towards plastic waste management and reducing use of Single Use Plastic (SUP). The SHS 2019 was run from 11th September to 2nd October. All states were advised to organize campaigns with massive shramdaan on collection of plastic waste in all villages and towns across the country and following this, from 3rd October to 27th October, 2019 the collected plastic waste was recycled and/or effectively disposed.

Swachhata Hi Seva 2019 focused on addressing management of plastic waste. It saw very encouraging response from across the country with participation of thousands of citizens. It created awareness among general public, students, communities, Industries, local government bodies, Public and private companies. During the campaign, citizens participated in large numbers in awareness campaigns and shramdaan activities.
