

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1621
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.2.2021**

Swachh Bharat Mission

1621. SHRI RAMALINGAM S.:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has decided to implement Swachh Bharat Mission in rural areas to manage solid and liquid wastes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total budget allocated for the project; and
- (d) the time by which the Swachh Bharat Mission in rural areas is likely to be started?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) Government had launched Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen) [SBM(G)] with effect from 2nd October, 2014 with the aim to make the rural areas of the country Open Defecation Free (ODF) by 2nd October, 2019 and to improve overall cleanliness in villages. All the villages in the country have declared themselves ODF as on 2nd October, 2019. Having achieved the outcome of the ODF, Phase II of SBM (G) has been approved to be implemented during 2020-21 to 2024-25, with the focus on ODF sustainability and to cover all the villages with Solid and Liquid Waste Management (SLWM).

(c) The total budget allocated for SBM (G) during 2020-21 is Rs.6,000 crore (Revised Estimates) and for 2021-22, Rs.9994.10 crore have been allocated in the Budget. Apart from this, during the financial years 2020-21 and 2021-22, 15th Finance Commission grants to Rural Local Bodies amounting to Rs.15187.50 crore and Rs.13,470 crore have been allocated as earmarked funds for rural sanitation activities including maintenance of ODF status.

(d) Phase-II of SBM (G) has been started from 1st April, 2020.
