GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 613 TO BE ANSWERED ON NOVEMBER 28, 2024

WASTE, SEPTAGE AND SEWAGE MANAGEMENT

NO. 613. SHRI SUDHAKAR SINGH:

Will the Minister for HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any steps have been taken to improve waste collection and segregation, sewage and septage management in urban areas of Bihar, particularly in Buxar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government plans to provide financial and technical assistance to the State of Bihar especially Buxar, for sewage and septage management; and
- (d) if so, the details of the steps taken/being taken in this regard and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS (SHRI TOKHAN SAHU)

(a) & (b): Government of India launched the Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban (SBM-U) on 2nd Oct., 2014 with the objective of providing access to sanitation and for scientific processing of Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) in the urban areas of the country including in Bihar.

To carry forward the work done on ground in Phase-I, Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM-U) 2.0 has been launched on 1st Oct., 2021 for a period of five years with a vision of achieving safe sanitation and scientific processing of municipal solid waste in all cities.

The Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) was launched on 25th June, 2015 with aim to provide basic infrastructure of water supply, sewerage & septage management, storm water drainage, non-motorized urban transport and green space & parks in cities in the country including Buxar in Bihar.

AMRUT 2.0 has been launched on 1st Oct., 2021 to make cities 'self-reliant' and 'water secure'. AMRUT 2.0 envisions to improve ease of living by up-scaling universal coverage in water supply from 500 cities to all statutory towns in the country.

(c) & (d): As per the 2011 census, the population of Buxar, Bihar is more than 1 lakh. Hence, sewerage/septage management project has been covered under AMRUT and AMRUT 2.0. Under AMRUT 2.0, so far, 17 sewerage/septage management projects worth Rs. 5,195.36 crore have been approved by MoHUA in Bihar, which involves creation/augmentation of 297.8 MLD Sewage Treatment Plan (STP) Capacity. As for Buxar District, under AMRUT 2.0, so far one sewerage/septage management project worth Rs.261.47 crore have been approved by MoHUA in which involves creation/augmentation of 16.77 MLD Sewage Treatment Plan (STP)Capacity.
