GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE

LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO.217

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11th March, 2016 / PHALGUNA 21,1937(SAKA) Swachh Bharat Kosh

*217. SHRI KESINENI NANI: SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total quantum of funds mobilized under the Swachh Bharat Kosh (SBK) as on 31.01.2016;
- (b) the details of donations received from corporates/individuals under the Kosh since its inception;
- (c) the details of proposal, allocation and utilization of funds under the Kosh, activity and subject-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has framed any criteria for release of funds under the Kosh, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether any deviation from the set criteria during release of funds from the Kosh has come to the notice of the Government, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the remedial measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

FINANCE MINISTER

(SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT AS REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARAS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *217 FOR ASNWER ON 11TH MARCH, 2016/ PHALGUNA 21, 1937(SAKA) RAISED BY SHRI KESINENI NANI AND SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB REGARDING SWACHH BHARAT KOSH.

- (a): The total funds mobilized under Swachh Bharat Kosh (SBK) as on 31.01.2016 are Rs. 369.74 crore.
- (b): Since inception, donations received from Corporates are Rs. 365.08 crore and from individuals are Rs. 5.95 lakh.
- (c): So far, proposal for Rs. 405.51 crore have been received for construction / reconstruction of toilets against which funds to the extent of Rs. 359 crore have been released to various state level implementing agencies during December 2014 to January 2016. Utilization certificate for Rs. 1.09 crore have been received from state implementing agencies of Sikkim and Tripura.
- (d): The release of the funds is governed by "Swachh Bharat Kosh Operational Guidelines". As per the criteria for release of funds under these guidelines, the Kosh funds are used for achieving the objective of improving cleanliness levels in rural and urban areas, including in schools. The costing of projects to be financed by SBK is guided by cost norms of Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) of similar nature.
- (e): No Madam.