

Government of India
Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1185
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03-03-2016

Water Efficient Toilets

1185. SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of **DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to introduce highly water efficient toilets for reducing water consumption by excessive flushing in toilets in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the other steps taken by the Government to reduce unnecessary consumption of water by excessive flushing in toilets in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION

(SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a) to (c) The Government, as per the Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) guidelines, provides that the States may adopt an appropriate technology for toilets to ensure safe disposal of human excreta. A menu of technological options, including those which use minimum water is available to the States. The Ministry has advised use of rural pan in toilets, which uses minimal water for flushing. In order to promote new innovative technologies, a high level committee under the chairmanship of Dr.R.A.Mashelkar has been constituted, that reviews periodically newer technologies.