

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI RAMESH CHANDAPPA JIGAJINAGI): (a) and (b) Under Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) [SBM(G)], up to 5% of the programme funds is to be spent on Information, Education and Communication (IEC) and capacity building at the State/district level, and up to 3% at the Central level. Under the programme, consolidated funds are released to the States/UTs for all the activities including IEC. As sanitation is a State subject, flexibility has been provided to the State for implementation of SBM(G).

Allocation of funds to A.P.

2752. SHRI Y. S. CHOWDARY: Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated/granted under various schemes of the Ministry to the State of Andhra Pradesh during the last three years;

(b) the details of funds released under various schemes to the State of Andhra Pradesh during the last three years;

(c) the details of funds yet to be released/ due to the State of Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) the time-frame fixed by which these funds would be released to the State of Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI RAMESH CHANDAPPA JIGAJINAGI): (a) to (d) There are two Central schemes being administered by Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation namely - Swachh Bharat Mission-Gramin (SBM-G) and National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP), which are being implemented in rural areas. The details of funds allocation/release to the State of Andhra Pradesh during last 3 years under both the schemes are as follows:

(i) **National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP)**

Year	Allocation	Release
2015-16	156.69	170.05
2016-17	181.02	204.00
2017-18	159.51	233.09

(₹ in crore)

During current year 2018-19, under NRDWP, as on 03.01.2019, State of Andhra Pradesh has been allocated an amount of ₹ 197.56 crore, out of which ₹ 139.01 crore have been released to the State. The proposal of State for remaining funds has also been received and is under examination. If the proposal of the State is found in order, the remaining funds would be released to the State after approval of competent authority within the current financial year.

(ii) **Swachh Bharat Mission - Gramin (SBM-G)**

Swachh Bharat Mission -Gramin [SBM(G)] is demand driven programme, hence no fixed State-wise allocation of funds is made under the programme. However the releases made to the State of Andhra Pradesh under the programme during the last three years are as under:

(₹ in crore)

Year	Release
2015-16	234.17
2016-17	342.21
2017-18	1219.88

Quality of drinking water

2753. KUMARI SELJA: Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any adequate mechanism exists, to measure the quality of drinking water in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether there are any testing centres in the country to measure the quality of drinking water;

(c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(d) whether any steps have been taken by Government to improve the quality of drinking water in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the water that is provided at the end level to the citizens of the country is tested by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI RAMESH CHANDAPPA JIGAJINAGI): (a) to (c) Drinking water quality testing laboratories, State-wise, as reported by the States in Integrated