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Urban Andhra Pradesh Set To Become Open Defecation Free By 2nd October 2016

New Delhi | April 30, 2016: The Ministry of Urban Development today shared that under Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban, all 110 Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) of Andhra Pradesh, comprising 3458 wards, would become ODF (Open Defecation Free) by 2nd October, 2016, three years ahead of the national mission target of October 2019. Of the 3458 wards, 2766 wards are on the verge of being declared ODF, with construction of Individual Household toilets and Community / Public Toilets already completed. Work in the remaining 692 wards are nearing completion and the state would be able to declare all 110 ULBs ODF on Gandhiji's birth anniversary this year.

Additionally, as confirmed by the Ministry, AP is well on its way to having 100% of its municipal solid waste processed, with 10 waste-to-energy (WTE) plants due to become operational by 2017-18. These 10 WTEs, once operational, will have the capacity to process 4471 Tonnes of Municipal Solid Waste per day, and produce 63 MW of power. The waste-to-energy projects along with the city compost production facilities will hike up the state's waste processing capabilities to 100%.

Shri Rajiv Gauba, Secretary, MoUD, during his visit to Vishakhapatnam on Saturday (30th April 2016) conducted a video conference with all 110 municipal commissioners and 13 district collectors of the state to assess the progress made under Swachh Bharat Mission. During his visit, Shri Gauba also met with various Self Help Group members in different fishermen's colonies and expressed his satisfaction at their efforts in the state's progress towards ODF status.

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