



## Do You Know?

- Manual scavenging is now banned!
- No person can be used to remove human waste with bare hands or to dispose it in an insanitary latrine or an open drain.
- 12 lakh former manual scavengers will be uplifted and can now live a life of dignity.

## This Has Been Made Possible By

- **Congress** Party's firm belief in social justice as a tool for empowerment.
- **Congress** Party's consistent efforts to ensure the dignity of the aam aadmi.
- **Congress** Party's commitment to development being inclusive and participatory.



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## Prohibition of Manual Scavengers Act



- No one can be forced to work as a manual scavenger.
- Anyone (individuals or families) who use manual scavengers will be fined Rs. 50,000 and jailed for one year (two years in case of families).
- Every manual scavenger will be provided with:
  1. Alternative employment
  2. Cash assistance
  3. Scholarship for children
  4. A residential plot (with financial assistance for constructing a house)
  5. One adult member of each family of manual scavengers will receive job training and Rs. 3000 (monthly) during that training.
- Henceforth, construction of insanitary latrines is prohibited.
- Every local authority (municipality, panchayat, cantonment board or railway authority) has to demolish or convert all existing insanitary latrines.
- Centre, State, and District committees will ensure effective implementation.





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“ It is in continuation with our ‘rights based approach’. It provides legal entitlements to people, puts pressure on the Executive to be more responsive and accountable, and also puts in place credible mechanism to redress grievances. This approach, I believe, is bringing about an empowerment revolution in our country – something we are proud to have facilitated.”

- Smt. Sonia Gandhi

