

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI
DEPARTMENT OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2176
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.03.2021

CONTAMINATION OF HEAVY METALS IN DRINKING WATER

2176. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of number of households affected by contamination of heavy metals in drinking water in the country as on date, State-wise;
- (b) the details of increase/decrease in number of households which are affected by contamination of heavy metals in drinking water in the country, State-wise;
- (c) the details of budget allocation for the year 2021-22 for provision of safe drinking water in rural areas, State-wise; and
- (d) the details of households which have been provided safe and heavy metal free drinking water in the country, State-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI
(SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA)

(a)& (b) Contamination in drinking water sources is monitored habitation-wise. State-wise number of habitations reported to have heavy metals contamination in drinking water sources as on 01.04.2019, 01.04.2020 and as on date is as under:

S. No.	State	No. of habitations with heavy metals in water sources as on		
		01.04.2019	01.04.2020	09.03.2021
1.	Assam	7	5	5
2.	Karnataka	1	0	0
3.	Punjab	1,899	233	225
4.	West Bengal	255	69	69
Total		2,162	307	299

Source: IMIS, DDWS

(c) For Jal Jeevan Mission in 2021-22, Rs. 50,011 Crore as Gross Budgetary Support has been provided and allocation to States/ UTs is made in the beginning of the financial year after budget is approved.

(d) As reported, out of 19.20Crore rural households in the country, more than 7Crore (36.50 %) households are getting potable tap water supply. These details are in public domain and available on the JJM dashboard at:

<https://ejalshakti.gov.in/jjmreport/JJMIndia.aspx>.
