

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS**  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1341**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON DECEMBER 19, 2022**

**MISMANAGEMENT OF WATER SUPPLY IN CITIES**

**NO. 1341. SHRI SANT BALBIR SINGH:**

**Will the Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether STPs in the cities are installed keeping in view the water supply to households per head 135 ltr. but in reality, double water is supplied and as a result of this, STPs stop working;
- (b) if so, the authority responsible for this mismanagement; and
- (c) whether Punjab is already facing water crisis, if so, how Government plans to ensure the water supply according to the capacity of STPs?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE  
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS**

**(SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE)**

(a) & (b): Public health and Sanitation is a State subject. It is the responsibility of the State Governments to ensure adequate and optimum supply of water as well as proper functioning of Sewage networks and Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs). As per the standards prescribed by Central Public Health & Environmental Engineering Organisation (CPHEEO), STPs are to be designed considering 135 litres per capita per day (lpcd) supply of water. However, entire used water does not reach the STPs. As far as issue of supply of double water is concerned, some part of city may get more supply leading to excess sewage discharge, which in turn may burden the STPs. Water supply is managed by Urban Local Bodies/ Public Health Engineering Department /Jal Boards/ Parastatal agencies of the State.

(c): Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) & AMRUT 2.0 envisage to provide universal water supply to every household in a planned manner and supplement State Governments' (including Punjab) efforts to mitigate water crisis. Further, to ensure adequate supply of drinking water to its residents as well as to control excess water supply under AMRUT, Government of Punjab have taken up 58 water supply projects worth ₹1,248.28 crore and 62 sewerage and septage management projects worth ₹1,504.65 cr. Further, Under AMRUT 2.0, so far State of Punjab has taken up 91 projects worth ₹2,380.90 crore (including Operation & Management cost) in water supply and 5 projects worth ₹460 crore (including O&M cost) in sewerage and septage management.

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