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Anganwadis with potable water connection

424 Smt. Sangeeta Yadav:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Anganwadis connected with potable water connection under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) till date;
- (b) the number of schools connected with potable water connection under JJM till date; and
- (c) the manner in which this connection is going to help the women and children in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI
(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

(a) and (b) Under Jal Jeevan Mission, a nation-wide campaign was launched on 2nd October 2020 to make provision of tap water in schools and anganwadi centres. As reported by the States/ UTs, since the launch of the campaign, as on 03.02.2023, provision of tap water supply in schools has increased from 4.47 lakh (43%) in August 2019 to 8.99 lakh (87%), and in anganwadi centres the same has increased from 4.43 lakh (40%) in August 2019 to 9.22 lakh (82%).

(c) With assured tap water supply, JJM is playing a significant role in improving the 'quality of life' of people as well as enhancing their 'ease of living', especially of women and children. Assured availability of safe drinking water in the household premises, schools and AWCs help in improving the health and thereby socio-economic condition of rural population. It also brings down the drudgery of rural women and girls, who travel long distance to fetch water for the family. With the implementation of the Mission, participation of women in income generation opportunities is also expected to improve as well as reduction in loss of school days for girls and adverse health impacts.
