GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI DEPARTMENT OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION **RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-433** ANSWERED ON- 24/07/2023

JAL JEEVAN MISSION

433 #. SHRI BRIJLAL

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:-

(a) whether it is a fact that as per a report published by the World Health Organization (WHO) on the Jal Jeevan Mission, this mission has averted about four lakh deaths in India during last year;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the total savings in the expenditure incurred during the last year and the current year in other sectors, especially in the field of health, due to the clean drinking water reaching every household?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

(a) to (c) As per a recent report of WHO, titled "*Estimating potential health gains from increased access to safely managed drinking-water services following the Jal Jeevan Mission initiative*", it is estimated that provisioning of safely managed drinking-water in the country would result in averting almost 400,000 diarrhoeal disease deaths across the country. Further, it is also estimated in the report that with universal coverage of safely managed drinking water in India, almost 14 million DALYs (Disability Adjusted Life Years) are estimated to be averted, resulting in estimated cost savings of up to 8.2 lakh Crore. The said report is available in public domain at the weblink

<u>https://jaljeevanmission.gov.in/sites/default/files/2023-06/Jal-Jeevan-Mission-Summary-of-</u> <u>report.pdf</u>
