

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

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-93**  
ANSWERED ON 04/12/2023

**WATER SHORTAGE IN NAMAKKAL DISTRICT, TAMIL NADU**

93. SHRI K.R.N. RAJESHKUMAR:

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of the situation of drinking water shortage in the 655 Rural Development habitations in Erumapatty, Sendamangalam, Mohanur, Namakkal, Paramathivelur Village Panchayat Blocks in Namakkal District, Tamil Nadu, and if so, details thereof;
- (b) whether Government has made any progress in implementing the Combined Water Supply Scheme (CWSS) in the above mentioned Village Panchayat Block in Namakkal District, Tamil Nadu, and if so, details thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken by JJM to address the severe issue of drinking water shortage due to limited water connections in the above mentioned Village Panchayat Blocks in Namakkal District?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

(a) to (c) Since August 2019, Government of India is implementing Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) – Har Ghar Jal, in partnership with States/ UTs including Tamil Nadu, to make provision of tap water supply to every rural household of the country.

‘Water’ is a state subject and therefore, the primary responsibility for planning and implementing piped water supply schemes to provide tap water to rural households, lies with the respective State/UT. Government of India supplements the efforts of States/ UTs by providing technical and financial assistance under JJM.

As informed by State Government of Tamil Nadu, Namakkal District in Tamil Nadu comprises of 15 Panchayat unions having 2,520 rural habitations. At present, water is supplied at the rate of 40 lpcd to 2,215 rural habitations in 14 Panchayat unions through 10 existing combined water supply schemes (CWSS) with river sources and to 305 rural habitations in Kolli Hills union through Single Village Schemes (SVS) with local sources.

Out of 2,215 rural habitations covered under 10 existing CWSS, new Combined Water Supply Schemes were taken up to cover 1,560 rural habitations in order to enhance the level of water supply from 40 lpcd to 55 lpcd. The details of such schemes are given below:

S.No.	Combined Water Supply Scheme	No. of habitations
1.	CWSS to Alampalayam under NABARD (Completed)	459
2.	CWSS to Rasipuram under JJM (On-going)	523
3.	CWSS to Mallasamudram under JJM (On-going)	547
4.	Retrofitting of CWSS to Auto Nagar under JJM (completed)	31
	Total	1,560

As reported by State Govt. of Tamil Nadu, for the remaining 655 habitations in 6 unions namely Sendamangalam, Erumapatti, Mohanur, Namakkal, Kabilarmalai and Paramathy, at present, water is supplied at the rate of 40 lpcd through 8 existing Combined Water Supply Schemes and there is no water shortage in these areas, moreover to further enhance the water supply from 40 lpcd to 55 lpcd, a new multi-village scheme and retrofitting of existing CWSSs are proposed in phased manner.

As reported by State Govt. of Tamil Nadu, there are 1,11,549 households in the 5 unions namely Sendamangalam, Erumapatti, Mohanur, Namakkal and Paramathi. So far, tap connections have been provided to 1,08,660 households and for remaining 2,889 households, works are under progress to provide tap connection by March 2024.

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