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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 94

ANSWERED ON 22/07/2024

WATER TO RURAL HOUSEHOLDS

94. SHRI HARBHAJAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal for a "new project" to ensure that rural households, which were provided taps under the ambitious Jal Jeevan Mission but had not yet been able to avail water, would soon be provided potable water;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) budgetary provisions made available to ensure that the scheme becomes a success?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI (SHRI V. SOMANNA)

(a) & (b) To enable every rural household in the country to have assured potable water through tap water connection, Government of India in partnership with States is implementing Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) - Har Ghar Jal since Aug. 2019.

At the start of Jal Jeevan Mission in August 2019, only 3.23 Crore (16.8%) rural households were reported to have tap water connections. So far, as reported by States/ UTs as on 16.07.2024, around 11.75 Crore additional rural households have been provided with tap water connections. Thus, as on 16.07.2024, out of 19.32 Crore rural households in the country, around 14.98 Crore (77.55%) households are reported to have tap water supply in their homes.

Water being a State subject, the responsibility of planning, approval, implementation, operation, and maintenance of drinking water supply schemes, lies with State/ UT Governments. States/ UTs have been advised, through numerous review meetings, field visits, etc., to ensure functionality of tap water connections provided and infrastructure created under the Mission.

Further, to ensure long term sustainability of infrastructure created, quality material and quality construction is being ensured through third party inspection before making payment. Moreover, measurement and monitoring of water supply in villages through sensor-based IoT solution, linking AADHAR of the head of household for targeted delivery subject to statutory provisions, geo-tagging of assets created, etc. are also provisioned under JJM.

(c) Details of Central fund budgeted, and fund drawn by the States/ UTs under Jal Jeevan Mission till 2023-24 and in 2024-25 (as on 16.07.2024) is as under

(Amount in Rs. Crore)

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Year	BE/ RE	Fund drawn by States
2019-20	10,000.66	9,951.81
2020-21	11,000.00	10,917.86
2021-22	45,011.00	40,009.77
2022-23	55,000.00	54,742.30
2023-24	70,000.00	69,885.01
Total till 2023-24	1,91,011.66	1,85,506.75
2024-25	70,162.90	11,154.12

BE: Budgeted Estimates, RE: Revised Estimates
