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NATIONAL WATER MISSION

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

- (a) whether Government is implementing National Water Mission in the country including Punjab, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the physical and financial progress made so far under National Water Mission, targetwise, year-wise and State- wise including Punjab; and
- (c) whether Government proposes to increase water use efficiency in domestic sector by 50-60 per cent, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI RAJ BHUSHAN CHOUDHARY)

(a) & (b) National Water Mission is an umbrella Mission with the objective to conserve water, minimize wastage and ensure more equitable distribution both across and within states.

National Water Mission has the following prescribed goals to achieve its objective.

Goal 1: Comprehensive water data base in public domain.

Goal 2: Assessment of the impact of climate change on water resources.

Goal 3: Promotion of citizen and state actions for water conservation, augmentation and preservation, and focused attention to vulnerable areas including over-exploited areas.

Goal 4: Increasing water use efficiency by 20%.

Goal 5: Promotion of basin level integrated water resources management.

The goals of the Mission are aligned with the various programmes/ schemes implemented by the Ministry of Jal Shakti. The Mission as such has no defined targets for implementation within the country. However programmes/schemes implemented by the Ministry furthers the fulfillment of the goals of the Mission. Jal Shakti Abhiyan: Catch the Rain is a flagship annual campaign for water conservation, implemented under the National Water Mission across the country including in Punjab. The objectives of the JSA are implemented in partnership with the States, in which no defined

mandatory targets for water related structures are set but the States are encouraged to achieve the objectives through convergent financing. The details of works undertaken under JSA: CTR in Punjab since 2021 are given in the tabulated statement:

Intervention wise Status Report						
Status From : 22-03-2021 to 05-12-2024						
S.No.	State	Water Conservation and Rain Water Harvesting	Renovation of Traditional Water Bodies	Reuse and Recharge Structures	Watershed Development	Total Water Related Works
1	PUNJAB	8143	25791	5326	42683	81943

Further, under JSA: CTR campaign, 23 number of Jal Shakti Kendras have been setup and 23 number of District Water Conservation Plans have been prepared.

(c) Goal 4 of the National Water Mission, as prescribed in the Mission Document, envisages increasing water use efficiency by 20% across sectors including domestic, industrial, and agricultural. The “Bureau of Water Use Efficiency” (BWUE) has been set up under the National Water Mission during October, 2022 for the aforesaid purpose.
