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

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TAP WATER CONNECTIONS UNDER JJM

1829. Ms. SUSHMITA DEV:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of households in all the districts that have been provided functional tap water connections under the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM), the State and district-wise details thereof;
- (b) the specific interventions planned to accelerate tap water coverage in these districts; and
- (c) whether there is any grievance redressal mechanism in the State of Assam to address issues related to delayed or faulty tap water connections?

ANSWER

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

(a) Since August, 2019, Government of India is implementing Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) in partnership with States to make provision of potable tap water supply in adequate quantity, of prescribed quality and on regular & long-term basis to every rural household in the country including those in Assam.

For monitoring of coverage of tap connections in States/ UTs, this department has developed a robust online JJM dashboard which provides State/ UT, district and village-wise progress as well as status of provision of tap water supply to rural homes. The dashboard is available in public domain and can be accessed at:

https://ejalshakti.gov.in/jjmreport/JJMIndia.aspx

(b) Water, being a state subject, the primary responsibility for planning and implementing piped water supply schemes to provide tap water to their households, lies with the respective State/UT.

Government of India has taken number of steps to plan and implement JJM in the whole country which *inter alia* includes discussion and finalization of annual action plan (AAP) in consultation with States/ UTs, regular review of planning and implementation, workshops/ conferences/ webinars for capacity building and knowledge sharing, field visits by multi-disciplinary team to provide technical support, etc. A detailed Operational Guideline for the implementation of JJM; Margdarshika for Gram Panchayats & VWSCs to provide safe drinking water in rural households and Guidelines on a special campaign to provide piped water supply in anganwadi centers, ashramshalas and schools have been shared with States/ UTs, to facilitate planning and implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission.

(c) As reported by State Government of Assam, there is a grievance redressal mechanism in the State of Assam to address the grievances.
