

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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PIPED WATER SUPPLY FOR TRIBAL HOUSEHOLDS

2471. SHRI MASTHAN RAO YADAV BEEDHA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) Government plan to provide piped water supply to tribal households under the PM JUGA in the State of Andhra Pradesh, and details thereof;
- (b) percentage of tribal villages in the State of AP currently having access to clean drinking water, and plan to address this gap;
- (c) whether Government has arrived at budgets required to cover all tribal areas with piped water supply in AP, if so, budget released against sanctioned amounts and timeline for completion of these activities in AP; and
- (d) measures in place to ensure regular maintenance of piped water systems in tribal regions of AP?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) Government of India, in partnership with States/UTs including Andhra Pradesh is implementing Jal Jeevan Mission, since August, 2019, to make provision of tap water supply to every rural household in the country, including tribal area of Andhra Pradesh.

Water being a State subject, the responsibility of planning, approval, implementation, operation, and maintenance of drinking water supply schemes/ works, including those under the Jal Jeevan Mission, lies with State/UT Governments. The Government of India supports the States by providing technical and financial assistance.

As reported by State Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, at the start of Jal Jeevan Mission in August 2019, only 30.74 Lakhs (32.18%) rural households were reported to have tap water connection. Since then, around 39.89 Lakhs additional rural households have been reported to have been provided with tap water connection and as on 06.08.2025, out of total 95.53 Lakhs rural households, about 70.63 Lakhs (73.63 %) rural households are having tap water connections in the State.

As on 06.08.2025, out of total 3901 ST dominated villages in Andhra Pradesh, 3899 villages (99.95%) having Piped water supply in the State.

To achieve 100 per cent coverage through continued implementation of mission with focus on quality of infrastructure and Operation & Maintenance of rural piped water supply schemes for long term sustainability and citizen centric water service delivery, Hon'ble Finance Minister during her budget speech 2025-26 has announced extension of Jal Jeevan Mission until 2028 with enhanced total outlay. As per the data reported by the State of Andhra Pradesh, the state has planned to achieve 100% FHTC coverage by March, 2027.
