# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 845 ANSWERED ON 28/07/2025

## WATER QUALITY AND AVAILABILITY

### 845. SMT. MAHUA MAJI:

# Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) when and the manner in which the water quality assessment was done under AMRUT in the State of Jharkhand in 2023-24, the results thereof; and
- (b) whether the Central Government has formulated any plan to address drinking water problems in the State of Jharkhand?

### **ANSWER**

# THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS (SHRI TOKHAN SAHU)

(a) & (b): Water is a state subject and management and maintaining the quality of water as per the applicable standards in urban areas is the responsibility of State Government/ Urban Local Bodies (ULBs). Government of India supplements the efforts of the States through schematic interventions/ advisories. It provides financial and technical support to the States through various schemes/ Missions such as Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) and AMRUT 2.0.

A third party survey was conducted in the year 2023 under AMRUT 2.0 in AMRUT cities. As per the findings in the State of Jharkhand, 100% samples passed the quality parameters at Water Treatment Plant (WTP) level and approximately 93% samples passed at household level. The findings were communicated and the State was advised to take corrective measures. As per the data reported by the State for the year 2024, 100% samples passed at both WTP and household level. Further, the State Government has informed that during 2023-24, water quality under Giridih urban water supply project has been assessed periodically at the district level water testing laboratory at Giridih. Water samples are tested on monthly basis to ensure compliance with the prescribed drinking water quality standards.

AMRUT 2.0 provides focussed thrust for improving the coverage and quality of water supply. Under AMRUT 2.0, 17 water supply projects worth ₹1,782.03 crore (including Operations & Maintenance cost) in the State of Jharkhand have been approved by MoHUA so far, covering 2.15 lakh new/service water tap connections and development of 259 MLD water treatment plant capacity.

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