GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION **LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1964 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.07.2017

Safe Drinking Water

1964. SHRIMATI BUTTA RENUKA:

Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of villages in Andhra Pradesh where safe drinking water is not available as yet;
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to increase the funding for the projects being taken up under the National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) in the State of Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) whether any plan has been prepared for providing safe drinking water for all villages in the State of Andhra Pradesh; and
- (d) if so, the time by which task is expected to be accomplished?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI RAMESH CHANDAPPA JIGAJINAGI)

- (a) As reported by State Government of Andhra Pradesh, 424 villages are not having safe drinking water out of which 166 have already been covered through community water purification plants as a short-term measure and the rest are also being planned to cover through community water purification plants.
- (b) The Government of India (GoI) is providing funds under National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) for schemes for fluoride affected habitations with a sharing pattern as per its guidelines and as per the allocation to the states out of budgetary allocation to the Ministry. Besides, States have been advised to provide safe drinking water to the people by (i) utilizing the above stated assistance from Government of India, (ii) investing more funds from the State Budget (iii) using enhanced grant received on the recommendation of 14th finance commission and (iv)taking assistance from external agencies / borrowing from lending agencies.
- (c) Yes Madam, as reported by State of Andhra Pradesh, the State Government is planning to provide safe drinking water for all villages with at least 100 litres per capita per day (lpcd) service level. The project proposals are being prepared accordingly. This Ministry has also prepared a Strategic Plan for the rural drinking water sector for the period 2011-2022 for providing the piped water supply in the rural areas. As per this, by 2022, the goal is to cover at least 90% of rural households with piped water supply and ensure that atleast 80% of rural households have house connection.
- (d) As reported by State Government of Andhra Pradesh, it is planned to complete the above task by 2022.
