

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2945  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04/01/2018**

**Quality of Drinking Water**

**2945. SHRI HARISH MEENA:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has a mechanism to check/review the quality of drinking water before and after water connection is provided in rural areas of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the number of complaints received by the Government for poor quality of drinking water and the action taken by the Government to provide safe drinking water in these areas during each of the last three years; and
- (d) the number of drinking water connections provided by the Government in rural areas during the said period, State/UT-wise?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) to (d): Rural drinking water supply is a state subject. For improving the coverage of safe drinking water to rural population, this Ministry supplements the efforts of the states by providing them with technical and financial assistance through the centrally sponsored National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP). It is the State Governments who plan, design, approve, execute and operate & maintain the schemes for providing safe drinking water to rural population. The Ministry has advised all the states to carry water testing of sources once in a year for chemical parameter and twice in a year (pre and post monsoon) for bacteriological parameter and as and when water related diseases are detected.

The complaints received at central level are transferred to states for taking necessary action. State-wise total number of household connection and percentage of house hold connection with piped water supply, as reported by the States to the Ministry as on 28<sup>th</sup> December, 2017, is at Annexure.

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**Annexure referred to in the reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2945 due for reply on 04/01/2018**

**State-wise total number of household connection and percentage of house hold connection with piped water supply, as reported by the States to the Ministry as on 28<sup>th</sup> December, 2017**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of the State</b>	<b>Total number of Household connections as on (28/12/2017)</b>	<b>% of total household connections with PWS as on (28/12/2017)</b>
1	ANDAMAN and NICOBAR	6604	10.15
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	2609841	28.59
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	14132	6.4
4	ASSAM	118764	2.05
5	BIHAR	217946	1.22
6	CHATTISGARH	338688	7.84
7	GOA	210415	95
8	GUJARAT	4717288	72.82
9	HARYANA	1575545	47.68
10	HIMACHAL PRADESH	760135	56.62
11	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	471410	28.57
12	JHARKHAND	213676	4.27
13	KARNATAKA	3392836	41.33
14	KERALA	1374506	15
15	MADHYA PRADESH	1128484	10.34
16	MAHARASHTRA	4891355	36.74
17	MANIPUR	21065	4.9
18	MEGHALAYA	5370	1.15
19	MIZORAM	14108	13.47
20	NAGALAND	15559	4.96
21	ODISHA	302048	3.71
22	PUDUCHERRY	41418	50.35
23	PUNJAB	1597842	47.56
24	RAJASTHAN	1134626	12.2
25	SIKKIM	87800	99.32
26	TAMIL NADU	2855731	28.92
27	TELANGANA	1787355	32.76
28	TRIPURA	21067	2.45
29	UTTAR PRADESH	136594	0.53
30	UTTARAKHAND	209747	13.9
31	WEST BENGAL	109822	0.67
<b>Total</b>		<b>30381777</b>	<b>16.85</b>