GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1108 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.02.2018

Arsenic-free Wells in UP

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

- (a) the number of arsenic-affected areas identified by the Government, State/ district-wise;
- (b) whether the Government is considering/will consider to dig out arsenic free wells in Uttar Pradesh; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION (SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA)

- (a) : State-wise and district-wise number of arsenic affected habitations in the country as reported by the states into the Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) of the Ministry as on 05^{th} February, 2018 is at Annexure.
- (b) & (c):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 Government who plan, design, approve, execute and operate & maintain the schemes for providing safe drinking water to rural population. The funds provided to the States under NRDWP can be utilized for coverage and tackling water quality problems with priority to arsenic and fluoride affected habitations.

Annexure referred in the reply to LokSabhaUnstarred Question No. 1108 due for reply on 08.02.2018

State-wise and district-wise number of arsenic affected habitations in the country as reported by the states into the Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) of the Ministry as on $05^{\rm th}$ February, 2018

S.	Name of the		No of arsenic affected
No.	State	Name of the district	habitations
1		Baksha	1,460
2		Barpeta	527
3		Bongaigaon	7
4		Cachar	5
5		Darrang	221
6		Dhemaji	73
7		Dhubri	260
8		Goalpara	4
9	ASSAM	Golaghat	120
10		Jorhat	816
11		Kokrajhar	7
12		Lakhimpur	1
13		Morigaon	2
14		Nagaon	1
15		Nalbari	998
16		SIVASAGAR	8
17		Sonitpur	8
Total		Total	4,518
18		BEGUSARAI	215
19		BHAGALPUR	120
20		BHOJPUR	8
21		BUXAR	35
22		DARBHANGA	13
23		KATIHAR	1
24	BIHAR	KHAGARIA	41
25		LAKHISARAI	51
26		MUNGER	149
27		NAWADA	1
28		PATNA	3
29		SAMASTIPUR	41
30		VAISHALI	193
Total			871
31	CHHATTISGARH	GARIYABAND	3
32	CUUVIIIONAKH	RAJNANDAGON	16

		Total	19
33		DUMKA	1
34		GIRIDIH	8
35		GODDA	15
36	JHARKHAND	HAZARIBAG	1
37		JAMTARA	1
38		PAKUR	2
39		RANCHI	1
40		SAHIBGANJ	73
		102	
41	KARNATAKA	Total MYSORE	2
42		RAICHUR	2
		Total	4
43		AMRITSAR	267
44		BATHINDA	1
45		FATEHGARH SAHIB	1
46		FAZILKA	3
47		FIROZEPUR	23
48		GURDASPUR	142
49		HOSHIARPUR	14
50		JALANDHAR	5
51	PUNJAB	KAPURTHALA	13
52		LUDHIANA	3
53		MANSA	1
54		MOGA	1
55		PATIALA	26
56		RUPNAGAR	67
57		SAS NAGAR	3
58		SHAHEED BHAGAT SINGH NAGAR	2
59		TARN TARAN	138
		Total	710
60		AMBEDKAR NAGAR	10
61		AZAMGARH	2
62		BAHRAICH	538
63		BALLIA	107
64		BALRAMPUR	1
65	UTTAR	BASTI	7
66	PRADESH	DEORIA	8
67		GORAKHPUR	8
68		KHERI	23
69		KUSHI NAGAR	19
70		LUCKNOW	1
71		MAHARAJGANJ	3

72		MAU	8
73		SAMBHAL	1
74		SANT KABEER NAGAR	6
75		SIDDHARTH NAGAR	5
76		SONBHADRA	1
Total			748
77		BARDHAMAN	164
78		HOOGHLY	1,307
79		HOWRAH	70
80		MALDAH	1,286
81	WEST BENGAL	MURSHIDABAD	1,371
82		NADIA	1,927
83		NORTH 24 PARAGANAS	4,170
84		SOUTH 24 PARAGANAS	511
85		UTTAR DINAJPUR	7
		10,813	
		17,785	