

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4555
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22/03/2018

Fluoride-Affected Areas

4555. SHRI Y.V. SUBBA REDDY:

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

- (a) whether the States affected with fluoride, are installing community water purification plants as recommended by NITIAayog;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, State-wise;
- (c) the details of funds allocated and released for installing community water purification plants in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana during each of the last three years, year-wise and district-wise; and
- (d) the details of habitations identified under National Water Quality Sub-Mission in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana and the work undertaken for such habitations under the submission?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION
(SHRI S.S.AHLUWALIA)

(a) to (c) :To deal with arsenic and fluoride contamination, with the recommendation of NITI Aayog, Government of India had released Rs 1,000 crore in March 2016 for commissioning of Community Water Purification Plants (CWPPs) and surface water based piped water supply schemes. Out of which, Rs. 21.26 Crore and Rs. 94.58 Crore had been released to Government of Andhra Pradesh and Government of Telangana for installing Community Water Purification Plants in fluoride affected habitations. Later, on the request of Government of Telangana, funds have been allowed to utilize in providing surface water based piped water supply schemes. State-wise funds released and number of community water purification plants (CWPPs) installed in fluoride affected habitations as reported by the States into Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) of the Ministry as on 19th March, 2018 is at Annexure.

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. No separate funds are allocated / released to States for installing community water purification plants under NRDWP.

(d) The habitations affected by arsenic and fluoride as reported by the States into Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) of the Ministry as on 18th August, 2016 are considered under National Water Quality Sub-Mission (NWQSM). As per NWQSM, there are 421 and 1,041 numbers of fluoride affected habitations in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana States respectively.

During 2016-17, Rs. 0.12 Crore had been released under NWQSM to Government of Andhra Pradesh to cover 02 fluoride affected habitation through 02 ongoing piped water supply schemes and work is under progress. In March 2018, Rs. 15.43 Crore had been released under NWQSM to Government of Andhra Pradesh to cover 158 fluoride affected habitations.

During 2016-17, Rs. 12.63 Crore had been released under NWQSM to Government of Telangana to cover 75 fluoride affected habitations through 30 ongoing piped water supply schemes. As reported by the States into IMIS of the Ministry as on 19th March, 2018, 23 schemes have been completed. During 2017-18, Rs. 687.60 Crore had been released under NWQSM to Government of Telangana to cover 966 fluoride affected habitations through 27 surface water based piped water supply schemes and work is under progress.

**Annexure referred to in the reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4555 due
for reply on 22/03/2018**

State-wise funds released and number of community water purification plants (CWPPs) installed in fluoride affected habitations as reported by the States into Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) of the Ministry as on 19th March, 2018

S. No.	Name of the State	Funds Release for installing CWPPs (Rs. in Crore)	Number of CWPPs installed in fluoride affected habitations
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	21.26	261
2	ASSAM	11.57	0
3	BIHAR	22.83	101
4	CHHATTISGARH	1.05	0
5	HARYANA	2.66	0
6	JAMMU & KASHMIR	0.47	0
7	JHARKHAND	1.50	0
8	KARNATAKA	59.9	203
9	KERALA	19.73	0
10	MADHYA PRADESH	15.85	66
11	MAHARASHTRA	24.08	0
12	ODISHA	2.00	2
13	PUNJAB	39.35	66
14	RAJASTHAN	297.99	879
15	UTTAR PRADESH	13.39	113
16	UTTARAKHAND	0.62	0
17	WEST BENGAL	136.98	0
	Total	671.23	1,691