GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5163 TO BE ANSWERED ON MARCH 27, 2018

HAND PUMPS IN URBAN AREAS

No. 5163. DR. HEENA VIJAY KUMAR GAVIT: SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM: SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK: SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:

SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:

DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:

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

- (a) whether a large number of hand pumps installed through public fund to provide potable water in urban areas are in a damaged and non-functional condition and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor:
- (b) whether the Government proposes to formulate any scheme for providing assistance to repair the non-functional hand pumps and to install new hand pumps and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has fixed any time-frame for this purpose and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the States have been encouraged to go for piped water schemes based on surface water sources and to avoid installation of hand pumps and if so, the response and the action taken by the State Governments in this regard?

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ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS (SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

- (a): Such information is not available with the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.
- (b): No, Madam.
- (c): Does not arise.
- (d): Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) has been launched by the Government of India on 25 June, 2015 in 500 cities across the country. Water supply is one of the major focus area of the Mission.

Under AMRUT Mission, the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs only approves State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs) submitted by the States and releases Central Assistance (CA) as per Mission guidelines. Individual projects are selected, appraised, approved and implemented by the concerned State Government.

As per the approved SAAPs of all the States, an allocation of Rs. 39,011 crore has been made for water supply projects under AMRUT Mission including State share. So far, contracts have been awarded for projects costing Rs. 20,866 crore and these projects are at various stages of implementation. Further, Notice Inviting Tenders (NITs) have been issued for projects costing Rs. 6,211 crore and Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) have been approved for projects costing Rs. 4,035 crore in the water supply sector under AMRUT Mission.
