

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.929
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.02.2018

Arsenic Contaminated Drinking Water in Balia

†929. **Shri Bharat Singh :**

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

- (a) whether the level of arsenic in the drinking water in Balia district of Uttar Pradesh has reached a hazardous level;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of people suffering from serious diseases so far in Balia district due to the use of arsenic contaminated drinking water;
- (d) whether the Government is contemplating to formulate a project to provide clean drinking water to the people of Balia district and Ganga water to them through pipeline and tanks with the cooperation of the State Government;
- (e) if so, the time by when the said project is likely to be completed; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) : Details of arsenic affected habitations (more than permissible limit) in Balia district of Uttar Pradesh as reported by the Government of Uttar Pradesh into the Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) of the Ministry as on 05th February, 2018 is at Annexure.

(c) : Disease monitoring due to consumption of excess arsenic in drinking water is the mandate of the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare.

(d) to (f) : 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.

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 community water purification plants and for the last mile connectivity of surface water based piped water supply schemes in West Bengal and Rajasthan. Out of which, Rs. 13.39Crore has been released to Government of Uttar Pradesh for installation of Community Water Purification Plants.

Further, the Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation had launched the National Water Quality Sub-Mission (NWQSM) on 22nd March 2017 under NRDWP to provide safe drinking water to about 28,000 arsenic / fluoride affected habitations over a span of 4 years. During 2016-17, Rs.26.31 Crore has been released under NWQSM to Government of Uttar Pradesh to complete ongoing schemes.

**Annexure referred in the reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 929 due for reply on
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**Details of arsenic affected habitations (more than permissible limit) in Balia district of
Uttar Pradesh as reported by the Government of Uttar Pradesh into the Integrated
Management Information System (IMIS) of the Ministry as on 05th February, 2018**

S.No.	Name of the Habitation	S.No.	Name of the Habitation	S.No.	Name of the Habitation
1	DAYA CHHAPARA PACHIM	37	JIRA BASTI	73	KOTWARI
2	HANUMAN GARH	38	SARFUDDINPUR URF MUBARAKP	74	MIRZAPUR
3	VISHANPURA	39	BISUNPURA TALUKA MANIYAR	75	MOTIRA
4	BAKAWA	40	CHOR KAND	76	AKTAHI
5	CHAK VILIUM SHAH	41	RAMGARH	77	MUDEDA
6	CHIT BISAWA KHURD	42	BAHUARA	78	MUSTFABAD
7	CHITOUNI TAULKA DUMERIA	43	IBARAHIMABAD NOABARAR	79	NAGHAR
8	DUHIJAN	44	RAMPUR	80	NAGPUR
9	JADOPUR	45	KAITHI KHATIMPUR	81	NASIRPUR
10	JITOURA	46	KAKRI	82	PACHWAR
11	KHAROUNI	47	REKUANASIRPUR	83	PRADHANPUR
12	KHEWSAD	48	SONAPALI	84	RAMPUR
13	KHOROULI	49	SUPAPALI	85	RASRA
14	KIRTUPUR	50	BANHARA	86	ROHNA
15	PARBATPUR	51	ESAR PITHAPATTI	87	ROURA CHAWAR
16	RAMPUR KALA	52	GAJI PAKAD	88	SARAI BHARTI
17	RUKUNPURA	53	GANG KISHOR	89	PALANI
18	SERIYA TALUKA SAHTWAR	54	HARSAND	90	SULTANPUR
19	SURHIYA TALUKA BANSDIH	55	KHATANGA MATH RAMGIRI	91	SULUI T. PACHWAR
20	BHOJPUR	56	GOSAI PUR	92	BINDAHA
21	SEMRI RAMPUR	57	SIWAN KALA	93	KUMAR KA TOLA URF BAHADURPUR
22	SHIVRAMPUR	58	GOURI	94	GAYGHAT
23	BUDHAU	59	KHADASARA	95	TANDI
24	NARACHH	60	AMGHAT	96	HADIHA KALA
25	RAMPUR	61	SARDILPUR	97	HUSENABAD
26	AKHAR	62	AMHAR PATTI UTTAR	98	JHARKATAHA
27	BAIJNATH KA CHHAPHRA	63	AMHARA	99	MAHADHANPUR
28	BARII MATHIA	64	ATHILA	100	ACHAL GARDH
29	CHHOTI MATHIA	65	BAIJALPUR	101	ARAJI MAFI MOON CHHUPRA I
30	DADA KA CHHAPARA	66	BASTOURA	102	MOON CHHUPRA
31	MUKTI PANDET KA TOLA	67	CHANDRVAR DOUGOULI	103	SINGHI PURANI BASTI
32	NAI BASTI BULLAPUR	68	CHITAUNI	104	UDAHA
33	SAHRAS PALI	69	DEHRI	105	BITHUA
34	BALEJI	70	JAM	106	IBRAHIMPATTI
35	AJORPUR	71	KAMSIPUR	107	SASNA BAHADURPUR
36	HARIZAN BASTI	72	KOP		