

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI  
DEPARTMENT OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION**

**LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO. 263  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.07.2019**

**Supply of Safe Drinking Water**

**†\*263. SHRI MAHABALI SINGH:**

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any comprehensive scheme to address the problem of drinking water and supply of safe drinking water in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the amount earmarked for the said purpose during the current year;
- (c) the administrative mechanism designed to implement the said ambitious scheme across the country; and
- (d) whether the Government is likely to accord priority in the implementation of the said scheme to those places where groundwater is polluted and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER  
MINISTER FOR JAL SHAKTI  
(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)**

**(a) to (d) A Statement of reply is laid on the Table of the House.**

**Statement referred to in the reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 263 due for reply on 11.07.2019**

- (a) to (b) As announced in the Union Budget Speech 2019-20, it has been envisaged to ensure Har Ghar Nal Se Jal (piped water supply) to all rural households by 2024 under the Jal Jeevan Mission. This Programme, under the Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation, will focus on integrated demand and supply side management of water at the local level, including creation of local infrastructure for source sustainability like rainwater harvesting, groundwater recharge and management of household wastewater for reuse in agriculture. The Jal Jeevan Mission will converge with other Central and State Government Schemes to achieve its objectives of sustainable water supply management across the country. An amount of Rs. 10000.66 crore has been allocated in the current financial year 2019-20 for the Programme.
- (c) As per the existing administrative mechanism, funds would be released to the States by the Department of Drinking water and Sanitation and State Government will be responsible for implementation of the programme.
- (d) The objective of the Jal Jeevan Mission is to provide safe drinking water to every individual household and States can prioritise to provide drinking water to places where there are quality issues in ground water.