

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION

LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. *6

ANSWERED ON 20.07.2023

JAL SHAKTI ABHIYAN

*6 SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features of Jal Shakti Abhiyan;
- (b) the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilised under the said abhiyan in Rajasthan so far;
- (c) the details of the areas in Rajasthan covered under the abhiyan, district-wise including Dausa;
- (d) the details of works of renovation of traditional and other water bodies, reuse of borewell structures, catchment area development and plantation undertaken in Rajasthan so far along with their current status; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government for expeditious completion of the pending works?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (e) : A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *6 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.07.2023 REGARDING “JAL SHAKTI ABHIYAN”.

(a) Jal Shakti Abhiyan is a campaign which aims to encourage water conservation at grass root levels with people’s participation. Jal Shakti Abhiyan (JSA) was launched in the year 2019 in 256 water stressed districts of the country. The campaign could not be taken up in 2020 due to Covid pandemic. In 2021, the campaign was implemented across the country covering all districts as “Jal Shakti Abhiyan: Catch the Rain” (JSA: CTR). JSA: CTR has become an annual feature since 2021 and the fourth in the series, JSA: CTR 2023 has been launched on 04.03.2023 by Hon’ble President with the theme “Source Sustainability for Drinking Water”. The campaign is covering all rural and urban areas of all districts (all blocks and municipalities) across the country with special focus on 150 Water Stressed Districts identified by Jal Jeevan Mission.

The focused interventions of the campaign include (1) water conservation and rainwater harvesting; (2) enumerating, geo-tagging & making inventory of all water bodies and preparation of scientific plans for water conservation; (3) setting up of Jal Shakti Kendras in all districts; (4) intensive afforestation; and (5) awareness generation.

(b) Allocation and utilization of funds under JSA: CTR is convergence of various Central & State Government schemes. However, to facilitate the Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping and to make the inventory of all water bodies and for preparation of the scientific water conservation plans, National Water Mission has sanctioned financial grant of Rs.2.00 lakh to each district of the country, including Rajasthan. So far, Rs 62.00 lakh have been allocated to 31 districts in the State of Rajasthan.

(c) Jal Shakti Abhiyan covers all the blocks of all districts (rural as well as urban areas) of Rajasthan, including the district of Dausa.

(d) The details of works completed in Rajasthan under JSA: CTR are given at **Annexure**.

(e) Since water is a State subject, responsibility of completion of pending works primarily lies with the State Government. However, the Central Government supplements the efforts of the States through technical and financial support. The State Governments are impressed upon from time to time to complete the ongoing projects related to Jal Shakti Abhiyan: Catch the Rain campaign expeditiously.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. *6 TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 20.07.2023 REGARDING “JAL SHAKTI ABHIYAN”.

Works completed under Jal Shakti Abhiyan in Rajasthan

		JSA: CTR 2021 (Rajasthan) (from 22.03.2021 to 28.03.2022)	JSA: CTR 2022 (Rajasthan) (from 29.03.2022 to 03.03.2023)	JSA: CTR 2023 (Rajasthan) (from 04.03.2023 to 14.07.2023)
S. No.	Intervention	Total works completed	Total works completed	Total works undertaken
1	Water Conservation & Rainwater Harvesting	1,28,202	38,298	39,986
2	Renovation of Traditional Water Bodies	12,094	6,960	4,877
3	Reuse & Recharge Structures	726	8,308	769
4	Watershed Development	64,373	33,328	8,646
	Total Water Related Works	2,05,395	86,894	54,278
5	Intensive Afforestation	23,37,330	1,68,72,438	3,01,671
6	Expenditure Incurred (in crore)	6214.48	1426.41	1021.49

Source: jsactr.mowr.gov.in
