GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI DEPARTMENT OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 863 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.09.2020

CLEAN POTABLE WATER

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Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government plans to provide clean potable piped water supply to all households in the country;

(b) if so, whether the Government has fixed a time bound programme for the same;

(c) whether priority will be given to those areas where ground water is contaminated by dangerous chemicals; and

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the funds required for implementation of this scheme and the amount earmarked during the current financial year?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI (SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA)

(a) to (d) To enable every rural household in the country to have potable water supply through Functional Household Tap Connection (FHTC) by 2024, Jal Jeevan Mission is implemented in partnership with States, with an estimated outlay of Rs. 3.60 lakh Crore.

While allocating the funds under JJM to States/ UTs, 10% weightage has been given to the population residing in habitations affected by chemical contaminants. Under JJM, while planning for potable water supply to households through tap water connections, priority is to be given to quality-affected habitations. Since, planning, implementation and commissioning of piped water supply scheme based on a safe water source takes time, purely as an interim measure, States/ UTs have been advised to install community water purification plants (CWPPs) in such habitations to provide potable water to every household as well as schools, aanganwadi, health centres, etc. at the rate of 8- 10 litre per capita per day to meet drinking and cooking requirements.

In 2020-21, a sum of Rs. 23,500 Crore has been allocated toJal Jeevan Mission, out of which Rs. 11,500 Crore as Gross Budgetary Support and Rs. 12,000 Crore as Extra Budgetary Resource.
