

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1763
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.07.2021

WATER SUPPLY IN COASTAL AREAS

1763. DR. T.R.PAARIVENDHAR:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by the Union Government to ensure safe drinking water supply in coastal areas across the country;
- (b) whether there is any proposal to set up more desalination plants in the coastal areas to achieve the above target and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total number of desalination plants set up and functioning in the coastal areas across the country as on date, State-wise; and
- (d) the details of the funds utilised for setting up desalination plants during the last three years?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI
(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

- (a) Government of India in partnership with States/ UTs, is implementing Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM)—Har Ghar Jal to make provision of potable tap water supply to every rural household in the country including in coastal areas, by 2024.
- (b) to (d) Drinking water supply is a State subject and powers to plan, approve, implement, operate and maintain rural water supply schemes are vested with States, inter alia which includes setting up of desalination plants. As such, details of desalination plants set up by States, are not maintained by this Ministry.
