

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 689
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.07.2021

IMPLEMENTATION OF NRDWP

689. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) the target date for completion of National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) along with the reasons for the slow pace of its implementation specially in drought affected districts of the country particularly in Gujarat;
- (b) whether certain States have not framed and submitted water security plans so far and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the new steps taken by the Government for ensuring access to safe drinking water to all rural habitations, Government schools and aanganwadis in the country?

ANSWER

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

(a) Under National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP), the coverage was monitored in terms of Fully Covered (FC) habitations i.e. having provision of minimum 40 litre per capita per day (lpcd) of potable water with sources at a reasonable distance.

As reported by States/ UTs, as on 19.07.2021, with sources at a reasonable distance, 79.12% rural habitations have provision of minimum 40 litre per capita per day (lpcd) of potable drinking water and 18.07% rural habitations have service level of less than 40 lpcd potable water. However, 2.81% rural habitations are reported to have water quality issues in ground water sources. Further, As reported by the State of Gujarat, all the 35,996 rural habitations have provision of minimum 40 litre per capita per day (lpcd) of potable drinking water.

(b) Since August, 2019, the NRDWP has been subsumed under Jal Jeevan Mission.

(c) Jal Jeevan Mission is under implementation in partnership with States, to make provision of tap water connections to every rural household and public institutions in the village i.e. schools, anganwadi centres, ashramshalas, etc. by 2024. With focus on health and wellbeing of children, a campaign was launched on 2nd October, 2020 to bring awareness and make provision of tap water supply in schools, anganwadi centers, ashramshalas (tribal residential schools), etc. for the purpose of drinking, cooking mid-day meals, hand washing and use in toilets. So far, in more than 6.81 lakh schools and 6.77 lakh anganwadi centres, provision for tap water supply have been made.
