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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1916 TO BE ANSWERED ON 09/12/2021

JAL JEEVAN MISSION IN ASSAM

1916. SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features of the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM);
- (b) the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized under this mission within Assam during the last three years and the current year;
- (c) the details of the target set and achievements made so far;
- (d) the number of districts covered under this mission within Assam so far; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government to cover all corners of Assam under this mission?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Since August 2019, Government of India in partnership with States, is implementing Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) by subsuming erstwhile National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) to make provision of tap water supply to every rural household of the country by 2024. The key features of the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) are to make provision of potable water to every rural household through tap water connection at a service level of 55 litre per capita per day (lpcd), of prescribed quality (BIS:10500), on regular and long-term basis.
- (b) The details of Central fund allocated, released/ drawn by the State Government and reported utilization in Assam under the then National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) in 2018-19 and under JJM in 2019-20, 2020-21 & 2021-22 (as on 06.12.2021) is as under:

(Amount in Rs. Crore)

Year	Central share					Expenditure
	Opening Balance	Allocation	Fund drawn by the State	Total fund available	Reported utilization	under State share
2018-19	394.85	567.89	300.76	695.61	336.25	48.34
2019-20	359.35	694.95	442.36	801.71	358.87	29.01
2020-21	452.45	1,608.51	551.77	1,004.22	880.44	90.02
2021-22	123.78	5,601.16	1,400.29	1,532.37	1,051.15	101.07

Source: JJM, IMIS

(c) to (e) As reported, out of total 63.35 lakh rural households in 33 districts of Assam, so far, 17.04 lakh (26.9%) households have been provided tap water connections. The State has planned to provide tap water connections to remaining 46.31 lakh rural households by 2024.

A number of steps have been taken to plan and implement JJM in the whole country including Assam with speed and scale, *inter alia* which includes joint discussion and finalization of annual action plan (AAP) as well as saturation plan of States/ UTs, regular review of implementation, workshops/ conferences/ webinars for capacity building and knowledge sharing, field visits by multi-disciplinary team to provide technical support, etc. A detailed Operational Guideline for the implementation of JJM; Margdarshika for Gram Panchayats & VWSCs to provide safe drinking water in rural households and Guidelines on a special campaign to provide piped water supply in anganwadi centres, ashramshalas and schools have been shared with States/ UTs, including Assam to facilitate planning and implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission. For online monitoring, JJM–Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) and JJM–Dashboard has been put in place. Provision has also been made for transparent online financial management through Public Financial Management System (PFMS).
