

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1486
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10/02/2022

WORK PLAN TO PROVIDE CLEAN DRINKING WATER

†1486. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any source of drinking water is not available in the circumference of one kilometer for many families in the country especially in Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has formulated any work-plan to make available clean drinking water to such families;
- (d) whether any scheme is being formulated by the Government in respect of water supply in each house of big villages of Panchayat headquarter in the country and whether any guidelines have been issued in this regard;
- (e) if so, the details thereof including in Rajasthan during the last two years; and
- (f) whether the Government is contemplating to make available clean drinking water in each and every household by the year 2022 and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (f) Since August, 2019, Government of India is implementing Jal Jeevan Mission, in partnership with States, including Rajasthan, to make provision of tap water supply to every rural household and public institutions in villages like schools, anganwadi centres, ashramshalas (tribal residential schools), health centres, Gram Panchayat building, etc., across the country, by 2024.

In consultation with States/ UTs, sector partners, community building organizations, experts, etc. Operational Guidelines for the implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission' were finalized and were released on 25.12.2019. Further, to help Gram Panchayats, Village Water & Sanitation Committees (VWSCs) or Pani Samitis to plan and manage water supply schemes to provide tap water to every home, a Margdarshika for Gram Panchayats and Pani Samitis for implementation of JJM, has been prepared and was released on 29.09.2020.

At the time of announcement of Jal Jeevan Mission, out of 18.93 Crore rural households, 3.23 Crore (17%) households were reported to have tap water connections. So far, 5.70 Crore (29.55%) rural households have been provided with tap water connections in last 29 months. Thus, as of date, out of 19.28 Crore rural households in the country, 8.93 Crore (46.34%) households are reported to have tap water supply in their homes.

Further, as reported by States/ UTs, as on 07.02.2022, out of 17.01 lakh rural habitations of the country, 13.22 lakh (77.68%) habitations having 77.90% population have provision of potable drinking water with supply level of more than 40 litre per capita per day (lpcd) and 3.44 lakh (20.24%) habitations having 20.39% population with supply level of less than 40 lpcd with sources at a reasonable distance and 0.35 lakh (2.08%) rural habitations having 1.71% population are reported to have water quality issues in drinking water sources.
