## **GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**

# MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

#### **LOK SABHA**

#### **UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3617**

# **TO BE ANSWERED ON MARCH 24, 2022**

# **DIGITAL MECHANISM TO VERIFY WATER CONNECTIONS**

## NO. 3617. SHRI GAUTAM GAMBHIR:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering any proposal to set up a digital mechanism for verification and funding of water connections; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

# THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS (SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE)

(a) & (b): Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation 2.0 (AMRUT 2.0) has been launched on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021 with an aim to provide universal coverage of household water tap connections in all statutory towns of the country and universal coverage of sewerage and septage management in 500 AMRUT cities.

A digital platform by the name of AMRUTAM app has been developed to verify services of water and sewer connections provided outside of AMRUT scheme after 1st November 2021. After States/ Union Territories (UTs) report the connections, Ministry verifies the samples through gig model. A gig consisting of sample connections is created for college students registered on the digital platform who will verify the connections details submitted by the State/UTs. This is being tested on pilot mode in Odisha and Tamil Nadu.

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