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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO –769 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21/07/2022

PROJECTS UNDER JJM IN KERALA

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Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

(a) the details of works and projects undertaken under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) in Kerala;

(b) whether the Government has taken any special initiative for districts with large percentage of households without water supply and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide water connection to all households and if so, the estimated time of completion proposed for the projects?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) Government of India is implementing Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) – Har Ghar Jalin partnership with States/ UTs. Drinking Water is a State subject and accordingly the responsibility to plan, design, approve and implement drinking water supply schemes lies with States. Government of India supplements the efforts of the States by providing technical and financial assistance.

As reported by Govt. of Kerala, at the time of launch of Jal Jeevan Missionin the State on 15thAugust, 2019, out of 70.68 lakh rural households, 16.64 lakh households (23.54%) had tap water connections. Since then,12.92 lakh households (18.28%) have been provided with tap water connections as on 15.07.2022, thus increasing the tap water supply to 29.56 lakh households (41.82%). Remaining 41.12 lakhs rural households areplanned to be provided with tap water connection by 2024.

Under JJM, to ensure deployment of sufficient financial resources for completion of remaining work, 20% weightage is assigned to balance individual household connections to be provided, while allocating the fundsto States/UTs. The JJM is implemented with a saturation approach and accordingly higher priority is given to districts with relatively lower coverage.
