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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1806 ANSWERED ON 01.08.2024

BENEFICIARIES UNDER JJM

1806. SMT. APARAJITA SARANGI:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has details of number of beneficiaries covered under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM), if so, the details thereof including the number of beneficiaries covered under JJM in Bhubaneswar Lok Sabha constituency;

(b) whether the Government has details of amount of funds allocated and utilized under JJM in Bhubaneswar Lok Sabha constituency since 2019 and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of steps taken by the Government to ensure the quality and reliability of tap water supplied through these connections, especially in terms of meeting health and safety standards?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI (SHRI V. SOMANNA)

(a) Government of India in partnership with States is implementing Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) – Har Ghar Jal to make provision of potable water to every rural household of the country, through functional tap water connection i.e. at a service level of 55 litre per capita per day (lpcd), of prescribed quality (BIS:10500), on regular and long-term basis.

At the start of Jal Jeevan Mission in August 2019, only 3.23 Crore (16.8%) rural households were reported to have tap water connections. So far, as reported by States/ UTs as on 29.07.2024, around 11.79 Crore additional rural households have been provided with tap water connections under JJM. Thus, as on 29.07.2024, out of 19.32 Crore rural households in the country, around 15.02 Crore (77.76%) households are reported to have tap water supply in their homes.

Similarly, in August 2019, only 0.21 lakh (7.49%) rural households were reported to have tap water connections in the Khordha district including areas under Bhubaneswar Lok Sabha constituency in the State of Odisha. So far, as reported by the State, as on 29.07.2024, around 1.82 lakh additional rural households have been provided with tap water connections. Thus, as on 29.07.2024, out of 2.77 lakh rural households in the district, around 2.03 lakh (73.11%) households are reported to have tap water supply in their homes.

Further, the State/ UT, district & village-wise status of tap water connection in rural households, including those in Khordha, indicating their status of coverage, etc. as reported by States/ UTs, is public domain and available JJM dashboard in on at: https://ejalshakti.gov.in/jjmreport/JJMIndia.aspx

(b) Under JJM, Lok Sabha constituency-wise fund allocations and utilization thereof are not maintained by this department. However, year-wise details of Central fund allocated, fund drawn, and fund utilization reported by the State of Odisha are as under:

	Central share					Expenditure
Year	Opening Balance	Fund allocated	Fund drawn	Available fund	Reported utilization	under State share
2019-20	0.78	364.74	364.74	365.52	275.02	255.02
2020-21	90.50	812.15	609.11	699.61	688.69	673.00
2021-22	10.93	3,323.42	2,492.56	2,503.49	1,306.21	1,289.72
2022-23	1,197.28	3,608.62	1,768.73	2,966.01	2,166.69	2,150.19
2023-24	799.32	2,108.54	2,108.54	2,907.86	2,441.62	2,428.40
2024-25*	466.24	2,455.94	368.39	466.24	30.59	30.06
*As on 28 07 2024				Source: IIM-IMIS		

As on 28.07.2024

Source: JJM-IMIS

(c) Water being a State subject, States/ UTs have been advised to undertake testing of water quality on a periodic basis and take remedial action wherever necessary, to ensure that the water supplied to households is of prescribed quality to meet health and safety standards.

States/ UTs have been advised to identify and train 5 persons preferably women from every village to conduct water quality tests using field testing kits (FTKs) at village level and report the same on the WQMIS portal. Moreover, to encourage water quality testing to ensure potable drinking water supply, States/ UTs have opened water quality testing laboratories to general public for testing of their water samples at a nominal rate. To enable States/ UTs to test water samples for water quality, and for sample collection, reporting, monitoring and surveillance of drinking water sources, an online JJM – Water Quality Management Information System (WQMIS) portal has been developed.

Further, to ensure long term sustainability of infrastructure created, quality material and quality construction is being ensured through third party inspection before making payment. Moreover, measurement and monitoring of water supply in villages through sensor-based IoT solution, linking AADHAR of the head of household for targeted delivery subject to statutory provisions, geotagging of assets created, etc. are also provisioned under JJM.

Moreover, to bring transparency and effective monitoring, an online 'JJM dashboard' & mobile App has been created, which provides State/ UT, district, and village-wise progress as well as status of provision of tap water supply to rural homes.
