GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI

DEPARTMENT OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2881

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UPGRADATION OF SEWERAGE SYSTEM IN AMRITSAR

2881. SHRI GURJEET SINGH AUJLA:

Will the Minister of **JAL SHAKTI** be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to prevent the mixing of sewage in drinking water supplied to the residents and visitors of Amritsar;
- (b) the details of the plans to upgrade the sewerage systems to improve the drinking water quality and overall sanitation in Amritsar city; and
- (c) the details of the specific initiatives taken and budgetary provisions made/being made to enhance cleanliness and water management in Amritsar being a global tourist destination?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) As per information received from Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) was launched on 25 June 2015 in selected 500 cities (485 cities including 15 merged cities) and towns across the country. The Mission focuses on development of basic infrastructure, in the selected cities and towns, in the sectors of water supply; sewerage and septage management; storm water drainage; green spaces and parks; and non-motorized urban transport. A set of Urban Reforms and Capacity Building have been included in the Mission.

Under AMRUT, Amritsar city has taken up 10 projects worth ₹89.36 crore which includes 5 water supply projects worth ₹75.03 crore, one Sewerage & Septage Management project worth ₹13.34 crore and 4 park projects worth ₹0.99 crore. 54,377 water tap connections and 4,048 sewer connections [including households covered through Faecal Sludge and Septage Management (FSSM)] have been provided under AMRUT & Convergence.

Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) 2.0 scheme has been launched on 01 October 2021 in all ULBs/ cities, enabling the cities to become 'self-reliant' and 'water secure'. Providing universal coverage of sewerage & septage management in 500 AMRUT

cities is one of the major focus areas of AMRUT 2.0. Rejuvenation of water bodies, development of green spaces and parks and Technology Sub-Mission to leverage latest technologies in the field of water are other components of the Mission. The total indicative outlay for AMRUT 2.0 is ₹2,77,000 crore including Central share of ₹76,760 crore for five years.

Under AMRUT 2.0 so far, 8 projects worth ₹213.29 crore have been approved by MoHUA in Amritsar district which includes 7 water supply projects worth ₹102.89 crore and one Sewerage/Septage Management project worth ₹110.4 crore. 25.99 MLD water treatment plant capacity has been approved to be added/augmented.

Funds under AMRUT & AMRUT 2.0 are allocated/released to State/UTs and not district/UlBs/Sector wise, further State/UTs releases funds to districts/ULBs based on the progress of the projects.

Under AMRUT in Punjab, against the committed Central Assistance (CA) of ₹1,204.47 crore for projects, ₹1,190.77 crore has been released. Under AMRUT 2.0 in Punjab, against the committed Central Assistance (CA) of ₹1,596.29 crore for projects, ₹254.69 crore has been released.
