GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 229 ANSWERED ON 05/08/2025

MISSION AMRITSAROVAR PHASE-II

*229. Shri Kanwar Singh Tanwar:

Shri Ravindra Shukla Alias Ravi Kishan:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched Phase-II of the Mission AmritSarovar and if so, the details thereof, State-wise
- (b) the achievements and outcome of the Phase-I and II of the said Mission, State, year and district-wise;
- (c) the details of the said mission during the last five years, State and district-wise; and
- (d) the details of impact, evaluation made and conclusions drawn from the first phase of the said Mission and total funds released and spent, State and year-wise?

ANSWER MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH CHOUHAN)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *229 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.08.2025REGARDING "MISSION AMRITSAROVAR PHASE-II"

Mission AmritSarovar was launched in April 2022 with the ambitious goal of constructing or rejuvenating 75 AmritSarovars in every rural district (except Delhi, Chandigarh, and Lakshadweep), with a total of 50,000 sarovars across the country by 15th August 2023 in a concerted effort to conserve water for future generations. This initiative has made significant progress in addressing the critical issue of water scarcity and has contributed to enhancing surface and groundwater availability across various regions. These Sarovars have not only addressed immediate water needs but also sustainable established water sources, symbolizing **Government's** commitment to long-term environmental sustainability and community well-being.

Phase II of Mission AmritSarovar has been envisaged to continue with a renewed focus on ensuring water availability, with community participation (Jan Bhagidaari) at its core, and aims to strengthen climate resilience, foster ecological balance, and deliver lasting benefits for future generations. To support the implementation of Phase II, revised guidelines have been shared with all participating Ministries, Departments, States and Union Territories.

(b)& (c): Under the Phase I of Mission AmritSarovar, as of October, 2024, the construction/rejuvenation of over 68,000 AmritSarovar has been completed across the nation.

State/UT and district-wise details of total sarovars constructed/rejuvenated can be seen at the link given below which is available in public domain: https://amritsarovar.gov.in/AtaGlancePhase1

- (d): Following two impact assessment studies of Mission AmritSarovar have been conducted:
 - 1. In the impact assessment of phase I of Mission AmritSarovar conducted by IIT-Delhi, it has been reported that there has been 16.3% increase in water body surface area and 42% decrease in dry water bodies across the country, highlighting the mission's role in water conservation and climate change mitigation.

2. Further, GIZ India study has reported significant improvements in groundwater levels, agriculture, biodiversity, and livelihoods due to Mission AmritSarovar.

There is no provision of separate allocation and release of fund for Mission AmritSarovar. The works are being taken up by the States and Districts in convergence with various ongoing schemes such as Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (Mahatma Gandhi NREGS), 15th Finance Commission Grants, Pradhan MantriKrishiSichayiYojna sub-schemes such as the Watershed Development Component, HarKhetkoPani, besides States' own schemes. Public contributions like crowdfunding and Corporate Social Responsibility fund can also be utilized for the work.

State/Union Territory (UT)-wise estimated expenditure for Phase-I of Mission AmritSarovar taken up under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS is given at Annexure.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (d) of LokSabha Starred Question No. 229 dated 05.08.2025.

State/Union Territory (UT)-wise estimated expenditure for Phase-I of Mission AmritSarovar under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS as per official portal of Mission AmritSarovar.

AmritSarovar.			
SI. No.	State/UT	Total AmritSarovar Constructed/rejuvenated under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS	Estimated Expenditure (Rs. in crore)
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	1861	139.70
2	ARUNACHAL Pradesh	313	15.54
3	ASSAM	1139	138.44
4	BIHAR	2490	191.64
5	CHHATTISGARH	2239	296.03
6	GOA	2	0.05
7	GUJARAT	894	66.28
8	HARYANA	1244	61.23
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	1428	34.04
10	JHARKHAND	99	5.67
11	KARNATAKA	3014	389.05
12	KERALA	787	61.78
13	MADHYA PRADESH	3915	500.39
14	MAHARASHTRA	482	36.34
15	MANIPUR	1157	85.39
16	MEGHALAYA	433	39.11
17	MIZORAM	989	47.75
18	NAGALAND	31	4.61
19	ODISHA	2199	198.06
20	PUNJAB	1304	148.67
21	RAJASTHAN	2044	215.92
22	SIKKIM	193	5.66
23	TAMIL NADU	743	106.85
24	TELANGANA	1473	83.63
25	TRIPURA	333	37.79
26	UTTAR PRADESH	13545	1352.96
27	UTTARAKHAND	1051	76.84
28	WEST BENGAL	2	0.15
29	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	110	2.77
30	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	764	45.95
31	LADAKH	77	2.63
32	PUDUCHERRY	63	4.19
	Total	46,418	4,395.10

[@] Source Mission AmritSarovar portal
