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

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TAP WATER ACCESS UNDER JJM

4641. SHRI KARTI P CHIDAMBARAM:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

the steps being taken at present to achieve the target of providing tap water to each household under the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) in the extended time of three years, till 2028?

ANSWER

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

Since August 2019, 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.

At the time of announcement of Jal Jeevan Mission, 3.23 Crore (17%) rural households were reported to have tap water connections. So far, as reported by States/ UTs as on 18.08.2025, more than 12.45 Crore additional rural households have been provided with tap water connections. Thus, as on 18.08.2025, out of 19.36 Crore rural households, around 15.69 Crore (81.02%) households, are reported to have tap water supply in their homes.

To achieve 100 per cent coverage through continued implementation of mission with focus on quality of infrastructure and Operation & Maintenance of rural piped water supply schemes for long term sustainability and citizen centric water service delivery, Hon'ble Finance Minister during her budget speech 2025-26 has announced extension of Jal Jeevan Mission until 2028 with enhanced total outlay. For smooth and expeditious implementation of Mission in 2025-26, an amount of Rs. 67,000 Crore is allocated as BE 2025-26.

A number of steps have been taken to plan and implement JJM in the whole country, with speed, *inter alia*, including joint discussions and finalization of saturation plans and annual action plans (AAP) of States / UTs, regular review of implementation, workshops / conferences / webinars for

capacity building, training, knowledge sharing, field visits by multi-disciplinary team to provide technical support, etc. A detailed Operational Guideline for the implementation of JJM; Margdarshika for Gram Panchayats & VWSCs to provide safe drinking water in rural households and Guidelines on a special campaign to provide piped water supply in anganwadi centres, ashramshalas and schools have been shared with States/ UTs to facilitate planning and implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission. For online monitoring, JJM–Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) and JJM–Dashboard has been put in place. Provision has also been made for transparent online financial management through Public Financial Management System (PFMS).

Moreover, aiming at Structural Reforms for transforming the rural water supply sector from "Department based approach" to "service delivery approach" inter alia including 'Source Sustenance' signing of MoUs with States is also envisaged for sustainable and long-term operation & maintenance of rural piped water supply schemes through citizen centric service delivery.
