

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI
DEPARTMENT OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. – 3169
ANSWERED ON 18/12/2025

STATUS OF YETTINAHOLE PROJECT

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Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of the Yettinahole project;
- (b) whether all surveys, clearances and ground-level works have begun and if so, the number of the planned works completed so far;
- (c) whether the Government has the stated goal to supply drinking water to about seventy five lakh people across nine districts within two years and if so, the details thereof, district-wise along with the number of people per district and the proportion of the total target population that has already started receiving water supply;
- (d) the total estimated cost of the Yettinahole project as approved and utilised till date and the projected expenditure likely to be incurred during the next two years to meet the target; and
- (e) the measures being taken to ensure sustainable water distribution, prevent wastage, maintain quality standards and guarantee equitable supply across all nine districts, especially in the most water-scarce and hilly regions?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e) The Government of India, in partnership with States/UTs, implements the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) to provide functional tap water connections to every rural household (at 55 lpcd, BIS:10500 standard). As drinking water is a State subject, the primary responsibility for planning, implementation, operation, and maintenance of these schemes lies with the respective State/UT Governments. The Central Government offers essential technical and financial assistance to support the states in this mission.

Yettinahole Project is a State project, funded and executed by the State government of Karnataka.

At the beginning of Jal Jeevan Mission in August 2019, around 24.51 lakh rural households were reported to have tap water connections in Karnataka. Around 63.06 lakh additional rural households have been provided with tap water connections under the mission. As on 16.12.2025, around 87.57 lakh (86.44%) out of total 1,01,30,702 rural households have been provided with tap water connections. The district-wise details of household and having tap water connection in Karnataka is available in public domain at the following URL. <https://ejalshakti.gov.in/jjmreport/JJMState.aspx>

States/UTs are advised to ensure tap water functionality and quality per JJM standards through regular reviews. Up to 2% of state allocations are dedicated to Water Quality Monitoring and Surveillance (WQM&S), funding laboratory upgrades, NABL accreditation, and procurement of testing equipment like Field Test Kits (FTKs). To mitigate health risks, states must conduct tests at schools and Anganwadis. Additionally, five local women per village are trained to perform community-level surveillance for parameters like Arsenic and Fluoride.

Moreover, States/ UTs have also 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.
