

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 741
ANSWERED ON 04.12.2025

IMPLEMENTATION OF JAL JEEVAN MISSION

†741. SHRI BHAJAN LAL JATAV:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Panchayats are refusing to implement the Jal Jeevan Mission;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps being taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to introduce any recruitment plan to address this issue and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) Water is a State subject. Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) – Har Ghar Jal, a centrally sponsored programme, is being implemented in partnership with States to make provision of tap water supply to every rural household in all Gram Panchayats and villages across the country.

In consonance with 73rd Amendment of Constitution of India and to instill the sense of ownership among villagers, village level planning and community participation in all decisions pertaining to water supply systems have been envisaged under JJM through Panchayati Raj Institutions. Accordingly, Gram Panchayat or its sub-committee/ user group i.e. Village Water & Sanitation Committee (VWSC) or Pani Samiti has been empowered to plan, implement, manage, operate and maintain in-village water supply system.

Moreover, under JJM, after making provision of tap connections to all rural households in a village, the Department implementing the scheme provides completion certificate to Gram Panchayat and marks the village as ‘Har Ghar Jal’ village on JJM-IMIS. Subsequently, Gram Panchayats in its Gram Sabha meeting after reading out aloud the work completion report, formally passes resolution certifying itself as ‘*Har Ghar Jal*’ village. The copy of certificate provided by implementing department, resolution passed by Gram Sabha, and a small video capturing the Gram Sabha is reflected on JJM Dashboard and village is marked certified in JJM-IMIS. As reported by States, as

on 02.12.2025, out of around 2.68 lakh villages reported as 'Har Ghar Jal', around 1.76 lakh villages have been certified by the respective Gram Sabha.

Further, for enabling the local village community to play their role shouldering the responsibility of operation and maintenance, Nal Jal Mitra Programme (NJMP) has been launched in collaboration with Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship to equip them with a comprehensive set of skills & develop "Nal Jal Mitras", so that they can function as scheme operators and are able to carry out minor repairs and maintenance, including preventive maintenance, of the piped water supply scheme(s) in their village as skilled masons, plumbers, fitters, electricians, motor mechanics, pump operators, etc.
