

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI  
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION  
**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4420**

ANSWERED ON 19.03.2026

**JAL SHAKTI ABHIYAN: CATCH THE RAIN**

4420. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:

SHRI G LAKSHMINARAYANA:

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

(a) the funds sanctioned, allocated, released and utilised under Jal Shakti Abhiyan: Catch the Rain (JSA: CTR) during the last five years, year, State and component-wise, particularly district-wise in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) the number of Jal Shakti Kendras established in Andhra Pradesh, district-wise including Palnadu and Anantapur districts;

(c) the details of water-stressed or focus districts identified under JSA: CTR in Andhra Pradesh along with the criteria adopted for such selection;

(d) whether Palnadu and Anantapur districts have been included therein and if so, the details thereof;

(e) the details of any special interventions for water conservation, groundwater recharge, creation or rejuvenation of water bodies and rainwater harvesting under the said Abhiyan in Andhra Pradesh during the last five years along with measurable outcomes such as increase in groundwater levels, storage capacity created and the number of habitations benefitted or proposed in the prioritised districts of the State, particularly in Palnadu district; and

(f) the details of the future action plan under JSA: CTR for drought-prone districts of Andhra Pradesh, particularly Anantapur district including any additional financial allocation made or likely to be made therein?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI**

(SHRI RAJ BHUSHAN CHOUDHARY)

**(a) to (f)** ‘Water’ being a State subject, the aspects related to water resources including its conservation are studied, planned, funded and executed by the State Governments themselves as per their own resources and priorities. The Central Government supplements the measures and efforts being taken up by the State Governments.

The Ministry of Jal Shakti launched the Jal Shakti Abhiyan (JSA) in 2019 as a time-bound, mission-mode water conservation campaign in 256 water stressed districts of the country. The Hon'ble Prime Minister launched “Jal Shakti Abhiyan: Catch the Rain” (JSA: CTR) in 2021 with the tagline “Catch the

Rain – Where it Falls When it Falls”. The Abhiyan was scaled up to cover all districts, blocks, and municipalities across the country including Andhra Pradesh. The focused interventions of the campaign include (1) water conservation and rainwater harvesting; (2) enumerating, geo-tagging & making inventory of all water bodies; preparation of scientific plans for water conservation based on it; (3) setting up of Jal Shakti Kendras in all districts;(4) intensive afforestation and (5) awareness generation.

The campaign emphasizes convergent financing from various schemes of the Central, State and local bodies like Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT), Per Drop More Crop, Repair, Renovation and Restoration Components under the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY), Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (CAMPA) and Finance Commission grants.

JSA: CTR campaign is implemented nationwide and every year, districts are identified based on the theme selected. The criteria adopted for selection of the special focus districts, inter alia include Stage of Ground Water Extraction, Declining Ground Water Level Trend, Average Post Monsoon Water Level and Hilly Areas with drinking water scarcity.

Under the JSA: CTR 2023, the theme was “Source Sustainability for Drinking Water,” and special focus districts were identified by the Jal Jeevan Mission. Under the JSA: CTR 2024 campaign, themed “Nari Shakti se Jal Shakti,” special focus districts including Palnadu and Anantpur districts of Andhra Pradesh were identified by the Central Ground Water Board (CGWB). The JSA: CTR 2025 was launched with the theme “Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari: Jan Jagrukta Ki Or” emphasizing deeper grassroots engagement, inter-sectoral convergence and innovative financing mechanisms with special focus on districts identified by CGWB.

The lists of 151 focused districts under JSA: CTR 2024 and 148 focused districts under JSA: CTR 2025 is attached at **Annexure-I**.

The intervention wise details under JSA: CTR Campaign in Andhra Pradesh for the last five years as per JSA: CTR portal is attached at **Annexure-II**.

As reported by the State Government of Andhra Pradesh,

- i. Jal Shakti Kendras have been established in all the 26 districts of Andhra Pradesh at one per district.
- ii. Drought-prone districts of the state, including Anantapur District, are covered under the JSA: CTR campaign, where works like construction of rainwater harvesting structures, roof water harvesting structures, groundwater recharge structures and renovation of traditional water bodies are taken up under MGNREGS.

“Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari” (JSJB) initiative was launched in Surat, Gujarat on 6 September 2024 to further strengthen the JSA: CTR campaign. The JSJB initiative focuses on intensifying community action and mobilization to build low-cost rainwater harvesting structures in low cost and saturation mode. The initiative leverages community funds, individual donations, Corporate Social Responsibility Funds and others for construction of low-cost structures like borewells, recharge shafts, recharge pits, using locally available material, to harvest rainwater, to boost ground water level and provide local tailor-made solution to water issues. The objective is to ensure that every drop of water is conserved through collective efforts, following a whole-of-society and whole-of-government approach.

As reported by Central Ground Water Board (CGWB):

- i. CGWB has completed the National Aquifer Mapping (NAQUIM) Project in the entire mappable area of about 1.41 lakh sq. km in the state of Andhra Pradesh. The Aquifer maps and management plans have been prepared and shared with the respective State agencies for implementation.
- ii. In order to assess the impact of various water conservation interventions in ground water level in the last five years, an analysis of the fluctuation in water level between post-monsoon 2025 with the mean water level of post-monsoon 2020-2024 has been carried out. The analysis indicates that about 83.5% of the wells monitored in Andhra Pradesh and about 90% of the wells monitored in Palnadu district have registered a rise in groundwater levels.
- iii. As a result of consistent and cumulative efforts, the data indicates improvement in the groundwater resource scenario in Andhra Pradesh between 2020 and 2025. The proportion of Over-exploited assessment units declined from 3.45% in 2020 to 1.8% in 2025, Critical units from 2.25% to 0.4%, and Semi-critical units from 6.0% to 3.5%, reflecting the positive impact of ongoing supply-side recharge measures, demand-side management and regulatory interventions on groundwater conditions.

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<b>JAL SHAKTI ABHIYAN: CATCH THE RAIN -2024</b>		
<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Name of States/Uts</b>	<b>Name of Districts</b>
1	Andaman and Nicobar	N & M Andaman
2	Andhra Pradesh	Palnadu
3	Andhra Pradesh	SPS Nellore
4	Andhra Pradesh	Kurnool
5	Andhra Pradesh	West Godavari
6	Andhra Pradesh	NTR
7	Andhra Pradesh	Ananthapuramu
8	Andhra Pradesh	Prakasam
9	Arunachal Pradesh	Tirap
10	Assam	Udalguri
11	Assam	Hailakandi
12	Assam	Dhubri
13	Assam	Baksa
14	Bihar	Begusarai
15	Bihar	Kaimur
16	Chandigarh	Chandigarh
17	Chhattisgarh	Bastar
18	Chhattisgarh	Bemetara
19	Chhattisgarh	Dhamtar
20	Daman & Diu and Dadra & Nagar Haveli	Diu
21	Delhi	North East
22	Delhi	Shahdara
23	Delhi	New Delhi
24	Delhi	West Delhi
25	Goa	South Goa
26	Gujarat	Vadodara
27	Gujarat	Narmada
28	Gujarat	Devbhumi Dwarka
29	Gujarat	Banaskantha
30	Gujarat	Mahesana
31	Gujarat	Patan
32	Haryana	Jind
33	Haryana	Fatehabad
34	Haryana	Sirsa
35	Haryana	Kurukshetra
36	Haryana	Panipat
37	Haryana	Mahendragarh
38	Haryana	Rewari
39	Haryana	Kaithal
40	Haryana	Gurgaon
41	Haryana	Faridabad
42	Himachal Pradesh	Una
43	Himachal Pradesh	Solan
44	Jammu and Kashmir	Jammu
45	Jharkhand	Jamtara

46	Jharkhand	Lohardaga
47	Jharkhand	Palamau
48	Jharkhand	Deoghar
49	Jharkhand	Koderma
50	Karnataka	Belagavi
51	Karnataka	Hassan
52	Karnataka	Bijapur
53	Karnataka	Chikkamagaluru
54	Karnataka	Gulbarga
55	Karnataka	Chikbalapur
56	Karnataka	Bidar
57	Karnataka	Dharwad
58	Karnataka	Chitradurga
59	Karnataka	Haveri
60	Kerala	Wayanad
61	Kerala	Kasargod
62	Kerala	Malappuram
63	Ladakh	Kargil
64	Lakshadweep	Lakshadweep (Agatti & Kavaratti)
65	Madhya Pradesh	Chhatarpur
66	Madhya Pradesh	SIDHI
67	Madhya Pradesh	Shivpuri
68	Madhya Pradesh	Neemuch
69	Madhya Pradesh	Guna
70	Madhya Pradesh	Vidisha
71	Madhya Pradesh	Rajgarh
72	Madhya Pradesh	Ashok Nagar
73	Madhya Pradesh	Sheopur
74	Madhya Pradesh	Agar Malwa
75	Maharashtra	Wardha
76	Maharashtra	Nashik
77	Maharashtra	Beed
78	Maharashtra	Jalna
79	Maharashtra	Solapur
80	Maharashtra	Osmanabad
81	Maharashtra	Dhule
82	Manipur	Imphal
83	Meghalaya	East Khasi Hills
84	Mizoram	Aizawl
85	Nagaland	Dimapui
86	Odisha	Bolangir
87	Odisha	Dhenkanal
88	Odisha	Rayagada
89	Odisha	Nuapada
90	Puducherry	Puducherry
91	Punjab	Bathinda
92	Punjab	Jalandhar
93	Punjab	Ludhiana
94	Punjab	Patiala
95	Punjab	Amritsar
96	Punjab	Sangrur
97	Punjab	Moga
98	Punjab	Barnala

99	Punjab	Mansa
100	Punjab	Hoshiarpur
101	Rajasthan	Jaipur
102	Rajasthan	Jaisalmer
103	Rajasthan	Barmer
104	Rajasthan	Churu
105	Rajasthan	Bikaner
106	Rajasthan	Sikar
107	Rajasthan	Alwar
108	Rajasthan	Karauli
109	Rajasthan	Dausa
110	Rajasthan	Jodhpur
111	Sikkim	Gangtok
112	Tamil Nadu	Coimbatore
113	Tamil Nadu	Vellore
114	Tamil Nadu	Tirupathur
115	Tamil Nadu	Mayiladuthurai
116	Tamil Nadu	Salem
117	Tamil Nadu	Chennai
118	Tamil Nadu	Namakkal
119	Tamil Nadu	Dindigul
120	Tamil Nadu	Perambalur
121	Tamil Nadu	Thanjavur
122	Telangana	Nalgonda
123	Telangana	YadadriBhuvanagiri
124	Telangana	Hyderabad
125	Telangana	BhadradriKothagudem
126	Telangana	Adilabad
127	Telangana	Nirmal
128	Telangana	Kamareddy
129	Telangana	Wanaparthy
130	Telangana	Komarambheem Asifabad
131	Telangana	Jogulamba Gadwal
132	Tripura	South Tripura
133	Tripura	North Tripura
134	Tripura	Unakoti
135	Tripura	Dhalai
136	Uttar Pradesh	Prayagraj
137	Uttar Pradesh	Lucknow
138	Uttar Pradesh	Sonbhadra
139	Uttar Pradesh	Agra
140	Uttar Pradesh	Muzaffarnagar
141	Uttar Pradesh	Chitrakoot
142	Uttar Pradesh	Varanasi
143	Uttar Pradesh	Jyotiba Phule Nagar
144	Uttar Pradesh	Gautam Buddha Nagar
145	Uttar Pradesh	Ghaziabad
146	Uttarkhand	Udhamsingh Nagar
147	Uttarkhand	Haridwar
148	Uttarkhand	Champawat
149	West Bengal	Jhargram
150	West Bengal	Dakshin Dinajpur
151	West Bengal	Malda

**JAL SHAKTI ABHIYAN: CATCH THE RAIN -2025**

<b>Sl no</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Name of District</b>
1	Gujarat	Banaskantha
2	Gujarat	Gandhinagar
3	Gujarat	Mahesana
4	Gujarat	Patan
5	Haryana	Ambala
6	Haryana	Bhiwani
7	Haryana	Charkhi Dadri
8	Haryana	Faridabad
9	Haryana	Fatehabad
10	Haryana	Gurgaon
11	Haryana	Jind
12	Haryana	Kaithal
13	Haryana	Karnal
14	Haryana	Kurukshetra
15	Haryana	Mahendragarh
16	Haryana	Panipat
17	Haryana	Rewari
18	Haryana	Sirsa
19	Haryana	Sonipat
20	Haryana	Yamunanagar
21	Karnataka	Bangalore(r)
22	Karnataka	Bangalore(u)
23	Karnataka	Chik ballapur
24	Karnataka	Chitradurga
25	Karnataka	Kolar
26	Madhya Pradesh	Indore
27	Madhya Pradesh	Mandsaur
28	Madhya Pradesh	Neemuch
29	Madhya Pradesh	Ratlam
30	Madhya Pradesh	Shajapur
31	Madhya Pradesh	Ujjain
32	Punjab	Amritsar
33	Punjab	Barnala
34	Punjab	Bathinda
35	Punjab	Faridkot
36	Punjab	Fatehgarg Sahib
37	Punjab	Ferozpur
38	Punjab	Gurdaspur
39	Punjab	Hoshiarpur
40	Punjab	Jalandhar
41	Punjab	Kapurthala
42	Punjab	Ludhiana
43	Punjab	Malerkotla
44	Punjab	Mansa
45	Punjab	Moga
46	Punjab	Patiala
47	Punjab	Mohali
48	Punjab	Nawanshahr
49	Punjab	Sangrur
50	Punjab	Tarn Taran

51	Rajasthan	Ajmer
52	Rajasthan	Alwar
53	Rajasthan	Baran
54	Rajasthan	Barmer
55	Rajasthan	Bharatpur
56	Rajasthan	Bhilwara
57	Rajasthan	Bikaner
58	Rajasthan	Bundi
59	Rajasthan	Chittaurgarh
60	Rajasthan	Churu
61	Rajasthan	Dausa
62	Rajasthan	Dholpur
63	Rajasthan	Jaipur
64	Rajasthan	Jaisalmer
65	Rajasthan	Jalore
66	Rajasthan	Jhalawar
67	Rajasthan	Jhunjhunu
68	Rajasthan	Jodhpur
69	Rajasthan	Karauli
70	Rajasthan	Kota
71	Rajasthan	Nagaur
72	Rajasthan	Pali
73	Rajasthan	Pratapgarh
74	Rajasthan	Rajsamand
75	Rajasthan	Sawai Madhopur
76	Rajasthan	Sikar
77	Rajasthan	Sirohi
78	Rajasthan	Tonk
79	Rajasthan	Udaipur
80	Tamilnadu	Chennai
81	Tamilnadu	Dindigul
82	Tamilnadu	Mayiladuthurai
83	Tamilnadu	Namakkal
84	Tamilnadu	Peramballur
85	Tamilnadu	Salem
86	Tamilnadu	Thanjavur
87	Tamilnadu	Tirupathur
88	Tamilnadu	Vellore
89	Telangana	Hyderabad
90	Uttar Pradesh	Agra
91	Uttar Pradesh	Firozabad
92	Uttar Pradesh	G.B. Nagar
93	Uttar Pradesh	Ghaziabad
94	Uttar Pradesh	Shamli
95	Dadra And Nagar Haveli And Daman And Diu	Dadra Nagar Haveli
96	Dadra And Nagar Haveli And Daman And Diu	Daman
97	Dadra And Nagar Haveli And Daman And Diu	Diu
98	Delhi	New Delhi
99	Delhi	North
100	Delhi	North East
101	Delhi	Shahdara
102	Delhi	South
103	Chhattisgarh	Bemetara

104	Haryana	Palwal
105	Karnataka	Chamrajangar
106	Karnataka	Davangere
107	Karnataka	Ramanagaram
108	Karnataka	Tumkur
109	Madhya Pradesh	Agar
110	Punjab	Ropar
111	Tamilnadu	Dharmapuri
112	Tamilnadu	Karur
113	Tamilnadu	Krishnagiri
114	Uttar Pradesh	JP Nagar (Amroha)
115	Uttar Pradesh	Baghpat
116	Uttar Pradesh	Bulandshahar
117	Uttar Pradesh	Hapur
118	Uttar Pradesh	Hathras
119	Uttar Pradesh	Mahoba
120	Uttar Pradesh	Saharanpur
121	Delhi	East
122	Delhi	South East
123	Delhi	South West
124	Delhi	West
125	Bihar	Jehanabad
126	Jharkhand	Dhanbad
127	Kerala	Kasaragod
128	Maharashtra	Ahmednagar
129	UT-Puducherry	Puducherry Region
130	West Bengal	Nadia
131	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	North and Middle Adaman
132	<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>	<b>Guntur</b>
133	Arunachal Pradesh	Papum Pare (Itanagar)
134	Assam	Kamrup
135	Chandigarh	Chandigarh
136	Goa	Goa North
137	Himachal Pradesh	Una
138	Jammu & Kashmir	Srinagar
139	Ladakh	Kargil
140	Lakshadweep	Kavaratti
141	Manipur	Imphal West
142	Meghalaya	South West Garo Hills
143	Mizoram	Aizawl
144	Nagaland	Dimapur
145	Odisha	Deogarh
146	Sikkim	Soreng
147	Tripura	West Tripura
148	Uttarakhand	Haridwar

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<b>Jal Shakti Abhiyan: Catch the Rain</b>						
<b>National Water Mission, Ministry of Jal Shakti</b>						
<b>Andhra Pradesh - Intervention wise Progress (Status from 22-03-2021 to 16-03-2026)</b>						
<b>JSA Year</b>	<b>Water Conservation and Rain Water Harvesting</b>	<b>Renovation of Traditional Water Bodies</b>	<b>Reuse and Recharge Structures</b>	<b>Watershed Development</b>	<b>Total Water Related Works (Year-wise)</b>	<b>Intensive Afforestation</b>
2021	96908	16515	1383	24649	<b>139455</b>	800530
2022	78823	18397	310	19918	<b>117448</b>	211848
2023	78508	34291	1083	41239	<b>155121</b>	52247562
2024	40835	27136	7879	27159	<b>103009</b>	28373
2025	154469	46718	77590	89852	<b>368629</b>	97297
<b>Total</b>	<b>449543</b>	<b>143057</b>	<b>88245</b>	<b>202817</b>	<b>883662</b>	<b>53385610</b>

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