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TAP WATER CONNECTIONS IN BARABANKI DISTRICT

4454. SHRI TANUJ PUNIA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the households provided with tap water connections in Barabanki district under the schemes such as Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM), Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) 2.0, Jal Hi Amrit and Mission Amrit Sarovar during the last seven years, year and Legislative Assembly / Panchayat / village-wise;
- (b) the number of villages presently facing water crisis in Barabanki district, Legislative Assembly-wise;
- (c) the details of the special steps taken/projects implemented to enhance groundwater level; and
- (d) the action plan prepared and the targets fixed by the Government for the next three years?

ANSWER

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

(a) Government of India is committed to make provision for safe & potable tap water supply in adequate quantity (55 lpcd), of prescribed quality and on a regular & long-term basis to all rural households in the country. Towards this end, the Government of India launched the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM), to be implemented in partnership with States/ UTs in August 2019.

Drinking Water is a state subject, and hence, the responsibility of planning, approval, implementation, operation, and maintenance of drinking water supply schemes, including those under JJM, lies with State/UT Governments. The Government of India supports the States/UTs by providing technical and financial assistance.

In Barabanki District, 5,08,433 (98.31%) tap connections have been provided against a total of 5,17,152 households under the Jal Jeevan Mission. The other details are available on JJM Dashboard Portal. The link is as under:

<https://ejalshakti.gov.in/jjmreport/jjmindia.aspx>

It is informed that under AMRUT 2.0, 05 water supply projects worth ₹297.32 crore have been approved in Barabanki district which cover 90,454 new/service water tap connection. Further, Jal Hi

AMRIT initiative has been launched under AMRUT 2.0 reforms, which aims to incentivize States and Union Territories (UTs) to efficiently manage Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs) for recyclable treated water meeting environmental standards on sustained basis. The focus of this initiative is to build capacity and incentivizing qualitative improvements in the treated discharge effluent.

It is also informed that Mission Amrit Sarovar was launched on April 24th, 2022 to construct or rejuvenate 75 Amrit Sarovars in every rural district (except Delhi, Chandigarh, and Lakshadweep) in a concerted effort to conserve water for future generations. It is further informed that under Mission Amrit Sarovar, a total of 436 Amrit Sarovars have been completed in Barabanki district since the inception of the Mission under Phase-I.

(b) State of Uttar Pradesh has informed that no village in Barabanki district is currently reported to be facing a water crisis.

(c) State of Uttar Pradesh has informed that construction of water recharge pits in all water supply schemes is being undertaken to enhance groundwater recharge and improve long-term water sustainability. It is also informed that Shallow Aquifer Management (SAM) initiative under the AMRUT 2.0 was launched as a pilot project across 9 diverse Indian cities. The initiative aimed to demonstrate the effectiveness of strategic interventions in managing shallow aquifers and supports aquifer mapping and recharge interventions to strengthen groundwater resilience. In SAM 2.0, 75 cities have been identified for scaling groundwater interventions. SAM 2.0 focuses on developing groundwater recharge plans, demonstration of variety of recharge structures, and build knowledge on creating awareness among city officials and citizens on importance of aquifer management in overall water management strategy of city.

Additionally, CGWB has informed that various measures have been taken by the Government of India to enhance groundwater levels in Barabanki district of Uttar Pradesh.

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. The 6th edition of JSA: CTR was launched on 22nd March 2025 with the theme “Jal Sanchay, Jan Bhagidari: Jan Jagrukta Ki Or”.

“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. Under JSJB 1.0, an impressive 27.62 lakh artificial groundwater recharge and storage works were taken up, with a remarkable 23.83 lakh already completed by 31st May 2025 marking a milestone in India’s water conservation movement. As on 10.03.2026 a cumulative of more than 4.4 million artificial groundwater recharge and storage works are reported under JSJB.

(d) State of Uttar Pradesh has informed that under the JJM, the Government aims to provide Functional Household Tap Connections (FHTCs) to all remaining households by December 2028. The mission also focuses on ensuring regular and adequate water supply along with the sustainable and long-term operation and maintenance of rural water supply infrastructure.
