

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4487
ANSWERED ON 19/03/2026

IMPLEMENTATION OF JJM IN WEST BENGAL

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Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) along with the funds sanctioned, released and utilised since 2019 in West Bengal, year and district-wise;
- (b) the details of Central funds allocated, drawn and utilised so far under JJM in Darjeeling and Kalimpong districts of West Bengal;
- (c) the number of households connected with tap water supply in the said districts of West Bengal under JJM; and
- (d) the details of works/projects sanctioned, under construction and completed under JJM in the said districts of West Bengal?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) Since August 2019, Government of India, in partnership with States, is implementing Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM)-Har Ghar Jal to enable every rural household including West Bengal, in the country to have assured potable water through tap connection. 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 the Jal Jeevan Mission, lies with the respective State/UT Governments. The Government of India supports the States by providing technical and financial assistance only.

At the start of the Mission in West Bengal, only 2.15 Lakh (1.22%) rural household were reported to have tap water connection. As on 17.03.2026, out of 1.75 crore rural household, around 99.54 lakh (56.72%) rural households have been provided tap water connection in West Bengal.

Since the August 2019 Mission launch, tap water access in Darjeeling and Kalimpong district has surged. Darjeeling grew from 193 connections (0.06%) to 1.68 lakh (49.29%) by 17th March 2026. Similarly, Kalimpong rose from just 5 connections (0.01%) to 35.47 thousand (54.96%).

Under JJM, this Department releases funds to States/UTs only. Further, district-wise fund allocations are made and maintained by States/UTs and not by this department. The details of Central fund allocated and fund drawn by the State of West Bengal under the JJM, is as under:

(Amount in Rs. Crore)

Year	Central share					State Expenditure
	Opening Balance	Fund allocated	Fund drawn by State	Available fund	Reported utilization	
2019-20	760.82	995.33	994.75	1,755.57	609.00	469.54
2020-21	1,146.58	1,614.18	807.08	1,953.66	1,196.07	641.17
2021-22	757.58	6,998.97	1,404.61	2,162.19	1,547.52	725.77
2022-23	614.67	6,180.25	3,090.12	3,704.79	1,953.73	3,204.21
2023-24	1,751.06	3,806.29	4,206.29	5,957.35	5,004.16	5,155.11
2024-25	953.19	5,049.98	2,524.99	3,478.18	3,003.06	4,905.55
2025-26	475.13	-	-	475.13	-	-
Total		24,645.00	13,027.84	13,788.66	13,313.54	15,101.35

Source: JJM-IMIS.
