

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6314
ANSWERED ON 02/04/2026

SUPPLY OF UNSAFE WATER UNDER JAL JEEVAN MISSION

6314. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government maintains nationwide data on village/ward-wise cases where tap water supplied under the Jal Jeevan Mission was found to be unsafe during the financial year 2024–25 and if so, the details thereof and the number of such cases reported across the country;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to make district-wise timelines for rectification of failed water samples publicly available and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether laboratory audit results and sample re-testing records for water quality are being regularly monitored for Rajasthan including districts such as Churu and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken to strengthen the credibility and verification of water quality data?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) is under implementation since August, 2019, in partnership with States/ UTs to make provision of potable tap water supply in adequate quantity, of prescribed quality and on regular & long-term basis to rural households. Under JJM, as per existing guidelines, Bureau of Indian Standards' BIS:10500 standards are adopted as benchmark for quality of water being supplied through the piped water supply schemes. Drinking Water being a State subject, the responsibility of Planning, Designing, Approval, Implementation, Operation & Maintenance of drinking water supply schemes, including those under the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM), is vested with State/UT Governments. The Government of India supplements the efforts of the States/ UTs by providing financial, policy guidance and technical assistance.

The State/ UT-wise details of water quality testing reported by States/UTs on JJM-WQMIS during 2024-25 is **annexed**.

In consultation with various stakeholders 'Concise Handbook for Monitoring Water Quality of Piped Drinking Water Supply to Rural Households' has been released in December 2024 for guidance to States/ UTs. This handbook recommended for a comprehensive testing of drinking water samples at various testing points such as source, treatment plant, storage and distribution points, and remedial action wherever necessary, to ensure that the water supplied to households is of prescribed quality (BIS:10500).

Further, States/UTs including water quality testing laboratories located in Churu district of Rajasthan have been advised to obtain and maintain accreditation/ recognition for their drinking water testing laboratories, in order to ensure the reliability, accuracy, and credibility of the data they produce.

**Annex referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 6314 answered on
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State/UT-wise details of drinking water samples tested in lab during 2024-25

S. No.	State	No. of samples tested in lab	No. of Samples tested using FTKs
1	A & N Islands	1,172	160
2	Andhra Pradesh	6,86,179	2,76,342
3	Arunachal Pradesh	22,271	10,689
4	Assam	2,70,466	8,37,769
5	Bihar	2,74,547	1,412
6	Chhattisgarh	1,60,891	2,03,657
7	DNH And D&D	-	178
8	Goa	13,660	-
9	Gujarat	71,204	4,25,718
10	Haryana	60,757	16,896
11	Himachal Pradesh	2,41,458	1,30,389
12	Jammu & Kashmir	2,66,547	2,129
13	Jharkhand	2,18,562	6,99,655
14	Karnataka	3,21,759	9,21,677
15	Kerala	7,00,732	612
16	Ladakh	10,229	623
17	Lakshadweep	7,897	-
18	Madhya Pradesh	5,74,798	3,52,198
19	Maharashtra	5,87,570	3,56,666
20	Manipur	19,508	11,085
21	Meghalaya	40,657	14,606
22	Mizoram	21,908	3,377
23	Nagaland	6,751	15,590
24	Odisha	2,72,406	2,49,298
25	Puducherry	287	18
26	Punjab	67,481	1,14,956
27	Rajasthan	1,80,063	66,845
28	Sikkim	17,297	5,803
29	Tamil Nadu	9,07,742	4,40,081
30	Telangana	2,85,183	-
31	Tripura	82,287	52,494
32	Uttar Pradesh	10,67,899	38,34,685
33	Uttarakhand	1,25,553	1,520
34	West Bengal	6,82,526	3,37,058
Total		82,68,247	93,84,186

Source: JJM-WQMIS