

Fluoride contaminated drinking water in Madhya Pradesh

†3001. CHAUDHARY MUNABBAR SALEEM : Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether people of Jabalpur and its adjoining areas in Madhya Pradesh are suffering due to presence of fluoride in drinking water;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action plan prepared by Government to eliminate fluoride content from drinking water?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI) : (a) and (b) As reported by the State Government of Madhya Pradesh into the online Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) of the Ministry, as on 1-4-2012, in Madhya Pradesh, there were 2,485 rural habitations affected with excess fluoride in drinking water sources and yet to be provided with safe drinking water supply. As per IMIS, there were no fluoride-affected habitations in Jabalpur District of Madhya Pradesh, yet to be covered with safe drinking water as on 1-4-2012.

(c) As per the Annual Action Plan, 2012-13, prepared and submitted by the State Government of Madhya Pradesh into the IMIS of the Ministry, 774 fluoride affected habitations were targeted for coverage with safe drinking water supply during the year 2012-13 of which upto 28-2-2013, 454 habitations have been covered. The State has prepared an action plan to target 1,083 fluoride affected habitations for coverage during 2013-14.

Supply of clean/potable water

3002. SHRI G.N. RATANPURI : Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the percentage of population covered under clean/potable water supply during the last three years, State-wise and year-wise;
- (b) the percentage of population still deprived of clean drinking water in the country as on date, State-wise; and

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