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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1530 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.03.2021

IMPLEMENTATION OF HAR GHAR NAL KA JAL

1530 # SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of the implementation of 'Har Ghar Nal Ka Jal' programme;
- (b) whether Government has provided desired funds to State Governments for the same;
- (c) the funds provided to Bihar during the current financial year; and
- (d) the number of villages which would be provided drinking water with this fund and by when the rest of the villages would be covered?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI (SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA)

- (a) To enable every rural household in the country to have potable tap water supply in household by 2024, Government of India, in partnership with States, is implementing Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) Har Ghar Jal. At the time of announcement of JJM on 15th August, 2019, out of 18.93 Crore rural households, 3.23 Crore households (17%) were reported to have tap water connections. Since then, 3.70 Crore rural households have been provided tap water connections. Thus, as on date, out of 19.18 Crore rural households across the country, 6.93 Crore (36.17%) have tap water supply. Further, all rural households in Goa and Telangana are reported to have tap water supply.
- (b) Under JJM, Government of India allocates the fund to States/ UTs as per approved criteria for fund allocation. Based on the reported expenditure and proposals received from the States/ UTs, requisite funds are made available to them. None of the States/ UTs have reported any shortage of Central funds.
- (c) In 2020-21, under Jal Jeevan Mission, Bihar has been allocated Rs. 1,839.16 Crore out of which, Rs. 353.60 Crore have been drawn by the State.
- (d) It has been envisaged to provide assured safe drinking water to every rural household in the country including those in rural villages of Bihar by 2024 and accordingly, funds are to be utilized as per Operational Guidelines for the implementation of JJM. State of Bihar has planned to provide tap water connections to all villages in the State by the end of 2021.
