

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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DEPARTMENT OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 730  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26-07-2021

**BOOSTING RURAL ECONOMY THROUGH JJM**

730 SMT. MAMATA MOHANTA:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) announced by Government will also boost the rural economy apart from the aim of providing tap water to all households by 2024;
- (b) If so, the details of Government infrastructure outlays for this Mission; and
- (c) the steps taken so far in rural areas of the of the country specially in Odisha to achieve the targets for making the mission successful?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI  
(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

(a) & (b) To make provision for potable tap water supply to every rural home by 2024, Government of India is implementing Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) in partnership with States, with an estimated outlay of ₹ 3.60 lakh Crore. At the time of launch of Jal Jeevan Mission on 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2019, out of total 18.98 Crore rural households in the country, 3.23 (17%) crore rural households had tap water connections. Implementation of piped water supply works to ensure tap water supply in 6.05 lakh villages raises demand for material like cement, bricks, gravel, sand, steel, pipes, motors, faucets, etc. one hand and unskilled, semi-skilled and skilled workers for creation as well as for operation and maintenance of water supply schemes on the other. This gives boost to rural economy and income generation to people in rural areas.

(c) A number of steps have been taken to plan and implement JJM with speed, inter alia, which includes joint discussion and finalization of annual action plan (AAP) of States/ UTs, regular review of implementation, workshops/ conferences/ webinars for capacity building and knowledge sharing, field visits by multi-disciplinary team to provide technical support, etc. A detailed Operational Guideline for the implementation of JJM; Margdarshika for Gram Panchayats & VWSCs to provide safe drinking water in rural households and Guidelines on 100-days campaign to provide piped water supply in anganwadi centres, ashramshalas and schools have been shared with States/ UTs, including Odisha to facilitate planning and implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission. For online monitoring, JJM-Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) and JJM-Dashboard has been put in place. Provision has also been made for transparent online financial management through Public Financial Management System (PFMS). Since launch of Jal Jeevan Mission, 4.55 Crore (24%) rural households have been provided with tap water connections thus, as on date, 7.79 Crore (41%) rural households have provision of tap water supply.

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