GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 61 TO BE ANSWERED ON JULY 18, 2022

BHARAT TAP INITIATIVE

NO. 61. SHRI IRANNA KADADI:

Will the Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Bharat Tap Initiative and the purpose of launching such an initiative;
- (b) the details of planning and initiatives taken by Government to reduce water consumption through this;
- (c) whether there are any plans to set up a monitoring system in order to monitor and track the water consumption; and
- (d) Whether Government plans to expand this initiative across the States and districts and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS (SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE)

- (a) & (b): Bharat Tap initiative has been launched by the associations of manufacturers of sanitary wares and fittings, in active coordination with Atal Missionfor Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation 2.0 (AMRUT 2.0) to save water. This initiative promotes low flow sanitary ware and sanitary fittings manufactured as per International Standard (IS): 17650 Part 1 (Sanitary Ware) and Part 2 (Sanitary Fittings). These IS standards provide star ratings namely 1 star, 2 star and 3 star. Higher number of stars denotes better water efficiency.
- (c) & (d): Implementation and monitoring of water infrastructure and its efficiency is the primary responsibility of the State Governments and their agencies/ Local Bodies. However, Government of India promote reduction in non-revenue waterthrough technological interventions for monitoring and tracking water consumptionas a reform under AMRUT 2.0 and use of sanitary ware and sanitary fittings manufactured as per IS: 17650 Part 1 and Part 2 through advisories.
