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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2478 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08/08/2022

UTILISATION OF FUNDS UNDER JJM

2478 SMT. MAUSAM NOOR:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the utilisation of funds under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) in West Bengal, district-wise;
- (b) the details of the current number and percentage of rural households in Malda having tap water connection;
- (c) whether the number of new tap water connections declined in 2021-22 as compared to 2020-21 and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the reasons for sharp fall in the number of new tap water connections in Malda in 2021-22?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) is being implemented in partnership with States since August, 2019 to make provision of potable tap water supply to every rural household of the country, including those in Malda district of West Bengal, by 2024.

At the time of announcement of Jal Jeevan Mission, more than 19 thousand rural households were reported to have tap water connections in Malda district. So far, around 1.64 lakh households have been provided with tap water connections in last 35 months. Thus, as on 03.08.2022, out of 6.51 lakh rural households, around 1.83 lakh (28.11%) households are reported to have tap water supply in their homes.

Water being State subject, district-wise fund allocations is not made and maintained by this department. However, details of Central fund allocated, fund drawn and fund utilization reported by the State of West Bengal under Jal Jeevan Mission in 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22 & 2022-23 (as on 01.08.2022) is as under:

(Amount in Rs. Crore)

	Central share					Expenditure
Year	Opening Balance	Allocation	Fund drawn by the State	Total fund available	Reported utilization	under State share
2019-20	760.82	995.33	994.75	1,755.57	609.00	445.03
2020-21	1,146.58	1,614.18	807.08	1,953.66	1,196.07	641.17
2021-22	757.58	6,998.97	1,404.61	2,162.19	1,547.52	725.77
2022-23	614.67	6,180.25	ND	614.67	64.77	487.31

Source: JJM, IMIS

ND: Not drawn

(c) As reported by the State, year-wise status of tap water connections provided under JJM in Malda district of West Bengal is as under:

Year	Tap water connections provided
2019-20	4,708
2020-21	56,510
2021-22	72,006
2022-23*	30,379

^{*}as on 03.08.2022

The number of tap connections provided in 2021-22 in Malda is more than the number of connections provided in 2020-21.

(d) Does not arise.
