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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 872 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25/07/2022

PROVIDING DRINKING WATER IN RURAL AREAS

872# SHRI DEEPAK PRAKASH:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of effective steps taken by Government with regard to providing drinking water in rural areas including those of Jharkhand; and
- (b) whether Government proposes to provide special assistance to rural areas to deal with the problem of drinking water?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) Since August, 2019, Government of India in partnership with States, is implementing Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) to make provision of potable water to every rural household, including those in Jharkhand, through tap water connection, by 2024. The estimated outlay of the mission is Rs. 3.60 lakh Crore, out of which Central share is Rs. 2.08 lakh Crore.

At the time of announcement of Jal Jeevan Mission, 3.23 Crore households were reported to have tap water connections. So far, more than 6.60 Crore rural households have been provided with tap water connections in last 35 months. Thus, as of date, out of 19.13 Crore rural households in the country, 9.84 Crore (51.43%) households are reported to have tap water supply in their homes.

Similarly, in State of Jharkhand, 3.45 Lakh households were reported to have tap water connections at the time of announcement of Mission. As on 20th July 2022 more than 9.73 Lakh rural households have been provided with tap water connections. Thus, as of date, out of 61.22 Lakh rural households in the State, 13.18 Lakh (21.54%) households are reported to have tap water supply in their homes.
