

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

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 91
ANSWERED ON- 04/12/2023

JAL JEEVAN MISSION

91. SHRI R. DHARMAR:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized under this mission during the last three years and the current year within Tamil Nadu;
- (b) the details of the number of connections provided in rural areas of Tamil Nadu under this mission so far;
- (c) the details of the target set;
- (d) the steps being taken by Government to cover the remaining rural areas of Tamil Nadu expeditiously under this mission;
- (e) whether Government has developed water testing laboratories in the country regarding testing of water samples; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

(a) to (c) Since August 2019, Government of India is implementing Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) – Har Ghar Jal, in partnership with States/ UTs including Tamil Nadu, to make provision of tap water supply to every rural household of the country.

Under JJM, as the primary responsibility for planning and implementation of piped water supply schemes lies with the respective state, each State/ UT prepares Annual action plan to set targets for every financial year. Government of India is providing technical and financial assistance to the States, including Tamil Nadu, based on the projects approved in the states for providing tap connections.

At the time of announcement of Jal Jeevan Mission, in Tamil Nadu, 21.76 Lakh rural households were reported to have tap water connections. Since then, around 74.47 Lakh additional rural households have been provided with tap water connections in Tamil Nadu. Thus, as on 30.11.2023, out of 125.31 Lakh rural households in the State, around 96.23 Lakh (76.71%) households are reported to have tap water connections in their homes.

The year-wise details of Central fund released and fund utilization reported by Tamil Nadu under Jal Jeevan Mission during the last three years and current year is given as under:

(Amount in Rs. Crore)

Fin. Year	Central Share					Expenditure under State share
	Opening Balance	Allocation	Fund drawn	Total fund available	Reported Utilization	
2020-21	264.09	921.99	690.36	954.45	576.97	399.57
2021-22	377.48	3,691.21	614.35	991.83	457.55	496.23
2022-23	534.29	4,015.00	872.96	1,407.25	594.64	665.28
2023-24 (as on 30.11.2023)	812.60	3,615.56	872.37	1,684.97	1,230.35	1,232.59

Source: JJM-IMIS

(d) To achieve the goal of JJM in the whole country, including those remaining rural households in Tamil Nadu, Government of India is handholding the States, to expedite the implementation of the mission through number of steps *inter alia*, which includes joint discussions and 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 a special campaign to provide piped water supply in anganwadi centres, ashramshalas and schools have been shared with States/ UTs 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).

(e) & (f) To enable States/ UTs to test water samples for water quality, and for sample collection, reporting, monitoring and surveillance of drinking water sources, an online JJM – Water Quality Management Information System (WQMIS) portal has been developed.

As reported by States/UTs, as on date, there are 2,111 drinking water quality testing laboratories at different levels viz. State, district, sub-division and/ or block level in the country. To encourage water quality testing to ensure potable drinking water supply, States/ UTs have opened water quality testing laboratories to general public for testing of their water samples at a nominal rate. The State/ UT–wise details of water testing laboratories in the country are **annexed**. As reported by States/UTs on WQMIS, 48.21 lakh water samples have been tested in the water testing laboratories during 2023-24.

Annex referred in the reply to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 91 due for reply on 04.12.2023

State/ UT -wise details of water testing laboratories as on 30.11.2023

S. No.	State	No. of drinking water quality testing labs			
		State	Regional/ District	Block/ Sub Division/ Mobile	Total
1.	A & N Islands	1	3	7	11
2.	Andhra Pradesh	1	13	98	112
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	1	20	17	38
4.	Assam	1	26	56	83
5.	Bihar	1	37	84	122
6.	Chhattisgarh	1	28	45	74
7.	DNH & DD	0	2	0	2
8.	Goa	1	0	13	14
9.	Gujarat	1	33	46	80
10.	Haryana	1	21	22	44
11.	Himachal Pradesh	1	14	59	74
12.	Jammu & Kashmir	2	20	76	98
13.	Jharkhand	1	24	6	31
14.	Karnataka	2	31	49	82
15.	Kerala	4	14	71	89
16.	Ladakh	0	2	3	5
17.	Lakshadweep	0	0	9	9
18.	Madhya Pradesh	1	51	103	155
19.	Maharashtra	0	34	144	178
20.	Manipur	1	12	0	13
21.	Meghalaya	1	7	22	30
22.	Mizoram	1	8	18	27
23.	Nagaland	1	11	0	12
24.	Odisha	1	30	46	77
25.	Puducherry	0	2	0	2
26.	Punjab	1	23	9	33
27.	Rajasthan	2	32	20	54
28.	Sikkim	1	1	0	2
29.	Tamil Nadu	1	31	81	113
30.	Telangana	1	19	56	76
31.	Tripura	1	8	12	21
32.	Uttar Pradesh	1	75	27	103
33.	Uttarakhand	1	13	13	27
34.	West Bengal	2	22	196	220
	Total	36	667	1,408	2,111