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Title: Regarding implementation of Govt. Scheme "Har Ghar Jal scheme" in Telangana.

SHRI RAGHU RAMA KRISHNA RAJU (NARSAPURAM) : I thank you, hon. Speaker, Sir, for giving me an opportunity.

I would like to speak on the wonderful *Har Ghar Jal* Scheme that has been brought in by our hon. Prime Minister. The Swachh Bharat Mission and Water Mission have been taken together under the new Ministry. This is essentially a wonderful scheme which would improve the health of the people by supplying pure drinking water; and a lot of water-borne diseases will also come down. The load in the rural areas on the Primary Health Centres will drastically come down because of this scheme. Not only this, but also the burden on the women taking pots for a long distance will also come down a lot. Just like how the UJALA scheme has helped the women and how the Swachh Bharat Scheme improved the dignity of the women, this scheme will also attract women. This scheme would be another feather in the cap!

Coming to my constituency, we have a problem of drinking water, while we have Godavari water all around. It is because of a huge aquaculture, we are exporting items related to aquaculture to the tune of almost Rs.20,000 crore. But because of contamination, we do not have quality drinking water. We have to use salt for the growth of shrimp. The groundwater has got contaminated. In this regard, we have a scheme in which we want to lay a pipeline from Godavari river near Vijjeswaram. Thorough you, Sir, we want to submit a proposal to the hon. Minister

with regard to this project. This scheme is on the basis of 50:50 ratio between the State and the Centre. We would like to submit this proposal and request you to kindly get it approved.

I also have a small suggestion for this wonderful scheme, which is under the Jal Jeevan Mission. My suggestion is, if it is named as 'Prime Minister Jal Jeevan Mission', its impetus on the scheme will be much more. This scheme was originally started by the hon. Prime Minister in Gujarat. Subsequently, the hon. Chief Minister, Shri Chandrashekhar Rao continued it in Telangana. Now, in Andhra Pradesh, we are also going to continue it under the leadership of our hon. Chief Minister, Shri Y.S. Jaganmohan Reddy. Thank you.