

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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SUPPLY OF DRINKING WATER IN A & N ISLANDS

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Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether water supply to some families under Tushnabad Panchayat, Andaman & Nicobar Islands is provided through a 1/2" pipeline and are not getting sufficient water;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government for improvement of water supply;
- (d) whether a small water tank is used for water supply to the population of two wards of the Panchayats; and
- (e) if so, whether there is any proposal for increasing the carrying capacity of water by providing a new water tank?

Answer

MINISTER OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) & (b): Government of Andaman & Nicobar Administration has reported that 1/2" pipelines are not provided for distribution network. Normally 1/2" pipelines are provided only at user end near tap connection. Main Distribution Lines are provided with higher diameter pipelines using 3", 2", 1 1/2" pipes as per requirement of pipeline network. The water supplied to the public is more than the minimum norm of 40 lpcd.

(c): To improve the water supply at Tushnabad, the UT Administration has stated that various proposals viz. Augmentation of water supply from Tirur No. 3 Nallah upto Manpur area, providing pipeline at Collinpur area, replacement of old pipeline from Goal Tikry source to Tushnabad areas, Improvement of pipeline in Ograbraj areas under Tushnabad Panchayat and Improvement of pipeline from Tushnabad Tank to Bangali Basti at Govind Nagar are taken up.

(d) & (e): As reported by the UT Administration, since the habitation/houses are scattered, small and medium tanks are constructed to maintain the gravity flow. There is a proposal to provide two such small tanks one each at Tushnabad and Hepatabad.