

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION  
LOK SABHA**

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A AISAKHA SAKA QUESTION WATER SUPPLY IN NER

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**Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:**

- (a) the total number of villages in the North Eastern Region (NER) including Assam, State-wise;
- (b) the number of villages in the NER which do not have proper water supply system; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to ensure adequate water supply to villages in the NER?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN MINISTRY OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR)

- a) As intimated by Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation, total number of villages, State-wise, in the North Eastern Region including Assam, is given at Annexure-I.
- b) Ministry of Drinking Water and sanitation maintain information regarding coverage of drinking water supply in rural areas in terms of habitations. Number of habitations, which are either partially covered or quality affected in terms of drinking water supply, State-wise, is given at Annexure-II.
- (c) Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation administers the Centrally sponsored scheme viz. National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP), under which technical and financial assistance is provided to States for their efforts to provide safe and adequate drinking water supply to rural areas to ensure that the States in North Eastern Region are prioritised for coverage with rural water supply. 10% of NRDWP allocation at the National level is earmarked for allocation to the NE States for rural water supply. States are also required to prepare Annual Action Plans every year and discuss the same with the Ministry to ensure that safe and adequate water supply is provided to all rural habitations.