

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION
LOK SABHA**

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

(a) whether the Government has any plan to resolve the acute shortage of potable water in Rajasthan particularly in Churu region of that State; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a) & (b): Yes madam. There is a plan to solve permanently the acute problem of drinking water of the State of Rajasthan including District Churu region . At present, 109 major projects costing Rs 33,495.05 crore are sanctioned in the State through which 100 urban towns, 16,290 Main rural habitations and 12,206 other habitations are proposed to be benefited. Out of which 36 major projects covering 20 urban towns, 2372 main habitations and 971 other habitations are completed till March, 2014 and rest projects are under execution.

For, district Churu, two major water supply projects namely, Ratangarh-Sujangarh and Bungi-Rajgrah costing to Rs 971.21 crores and Rs 415.65 crores respectively based on surface water of IGNP are already under progress. These projects are targeted to be completed and commissioned by December, 2016. Once these projects are completed all the 873 number of villages/ other habitations and 10 urban towns will start getting regularly potable drinking water with required quality and quantity.

With completion of above 2 ongoing major projects problem of drinking water will be solved permanently. As far as present position is concerned, district is covered with both groundwater based and surface based water supply scheme.