

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 855
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2019**

Scarcity of Drinking Water in Villages

855. SHRI K.R.P.PRABAKARAN:

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

- (a) whether many villages are still not having quality drinking water across the country;
- (b) if so, the details of affected villages across the country and the steps being taken by the Ministry;
- (c) the funds allocated in this regard during last three years and the current year; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE
IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION
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- (a) & (b) State-wise number of quality affected habitations as reported by the States in Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) of the Ministry as on 05.02.2019 is at Annexure.
- (c) & (d) Rural Drinking water supply is a State subject. For improving the coverage of safe drinking water to rural population, this Ministry supplements the efforts of the States by providing them with technical and financial assistance through the centrally sponsored scheme; National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP). It is the State Governments who plan, design, approve, execute, operate & maintain the schemes for providing safe drinking water to rural population. The funds provided to the States under NRDWP can be utilized for providing safe drinking water to water quality affected areas on priority.

The funds allocated during the last three years and current year under NRDWP is as under:

Financial Year	Funds allocated under NRDWP (Amount in Rs. Crore)
2015-16	4373
2016-17	6000
2017-18	7050
2018-19	7000

Note: Fund allocated to this Ministry under NRDWP has been revised to Rs. 5500 Crore at Revised Estimate Stage.

To deal with arsenic and fluoride contamination, with the recommendation of National Institution for Transforming India (NITI Aayog), Government of India had released Rs. 1,000 crore in March 2016 for commissioning of Community Water Purification Plants (CWPPs) and last mile connectivity of piped water supply schemes.

In addition, the Ministry had launched National Water Quality Sub-Mission (NWQSM) under National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) on 22.03.17 to provide safe drinking water to 27,544 arsenic / fluoride affected rural habitations in a span of 4 years, subject to availability of funds.

The funds provided to states under NWQSM (which is part of overall NRDWP) during the last two year and current year is as under:

Financial Year	Funds provided to States (Amount in Rs. Crore)
2016-17	814.13
2017-18	2011.55
2018-19 (till 05.02.2019)	864.66
Total	3690.34

Annexure: referred to in the reply to Part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 855 due for reply on 07/02/2019

State-wise number of quality affected habitations as reported by the States in Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) of the Ministry as on 05.02.2019

S. No.	State	Contamination Wise Number of affected Habitations						Total
		Fluoride	Arsenic	Iron	Salinity	Nitrate	Heavy Metal	
1	Andaman & Nicobar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Andhra Pradesh	317	0	1	41	4	0	363
3	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	28	0	0	0	28
4	Assam	260	4302	5227	0	0	7	9796
5	Bihar	781	815	2320	0	0	0	3916
6	Chhattisgarh	282	0	227	0	4	0	513
7	Goa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Gujarat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	Haryana	103	0	0	0	0	0	103
10	Himachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	Jammu & Kashmir	4	0	7	0	0	0	11
12	Jharkhand	198	19	323	0	0	0	540
13	Karnataka	365	3	37	24	189	1	619
14	Kerala	32	0	182	81	32	0	327
15	Madhya Pradesh	138	0	0	10	0	0	148
16	Maharashtra	63	0	16	43	71	0	193
17	Manipur	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	Meghalaya	0	0	7	0	0	0	7
19	Mizoram	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	Nagaland	0	0	4	0	0	0	4
21	Odisha	97	0	2158	237	0	0	2492
22	Puducherry	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
23	Punjab	298	652	231	14	113	1836	3144
24	Rajasthan	5143	0	5	12342	944	0	18434
25	Sikkim	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26	Tamil Nadu	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
27	Telangana	0	0	36	179	135	0	350
28	Tripura	0	0	2410	0	0	0	2410
29	Uttar Pradesh	161	715	361	80	10	0	1327
30	Uttarakhand	0	0	12	0	3	0	15
31	West Bengal	1263	9250	5307	429	0	262	16511
Total		9505	15756	18900	13480	1505	2106	61252