

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI
DEPARTMENT OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4195
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.07.2019**

Drinking Water Scheme for Chhattisgarh

4195. SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has approved any scheme for improvement of drinking water facilities in the rural areas of Chhattisgarh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of hand pumps that are likely to be installed along with the number of schools and conventional sources which are likely to be included in these schemes; and
- (d) the time by which these schemes are targeted to be completed?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI
(SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA)**

(a) & (b) Drinking water supply is a state subject. This Ministry administers centrally sponsored National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) through which it provides technical and financial assistance to the States including Chhattisgarh for improving the coverage of drinking water facilities in rural areas. States are empowered to plan, design, approve and operate drinking water supply schemes. As per information furnished by State Government of Chhattisgarh, 17 surface water based community water supply schemes have been approved. Further, 848 Single Village Schemes (SVS) with piped water supply is also approved by the State Government.

(c) & (d) As per NRDWP guideline, there is no provision of installation of hand pumps through NRDWP funds. However, a part of fund has been earmarked for Japanese Encephalitis – Acute Encephalitis Syndrome (JE-AES) areas wherein conversion of shallow hand pumps to India Mark-II or higher version is allowed.

As per information furnished by State Government of Chhattisgarh, during the year 2019-20, 3200 hand pumps and 555 hand pumps are proposed to be installed for providing drinking water to habitations and schools respectively. 12 ongoing multi village water supply schemes for providing drinking water to schools and habitations are targeted to be completed by March, 2020 and approved piped water supply schemes are proposed to be completed by March, 2021.