

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI
DEPARTMENT OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2506
ANSWERED ON 13/03/2025

**WATER CONNECTIONS IN VILLAGES / HAMLETS OF BARMER-JAISALMER
CONSTITUENCY**

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Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) the target fixed for providing water connections in villages and hamlets of Barmer-Jaisalmer Parliamentary Constituency under the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) and other projects along with the achievements made against the targets and the reasons for shortfall;
- (b) whether the per capita water requirement in every household has been considered under JJM and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether livestock was also included in this calculation and if so, the details of the year, the duration for which the requirements were estimated, and the basis of water availability proportion considered;
- (d) the total budget allocated and utilised so far under JJM and other projects in Barmer-Jaisalmer Parliamentary Constituency, year-wise;
- (e) the number of villages and hamlets of the said region benefitted from various projects where regular water supply has been ensured; and
- (f) whether water is being made available to the residents of Bariyada, the first village of Barmer district, under the Barmer Lift Canal Project and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI
(SHRI V. SOMANNA)

- (a) Since August, 2019, Government of India is implementing Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM), in partnership with States/ UTs including Barmer-Jaisalmer Parliamentary Constituency of Rajasthan, to make provision of tap water supply to every rural household of the country. Drinking Water is a state subject, and hence, the responsibility of planning, approval,

implementation, operation, and maintenance of drinking water supply schemes, including those under the JJM, lies with State/UT Governments. The Government of India supports the states by providing technical and financial assistance.

As informed by state government of Rajasthan, out of 6,09,906 rural households in Barmer-Jaisalmer Parliamentary Constituency, 1,97,918 households have been provided with tap water connections.

The slow implementation of JJM in Rajasthan has been mainly on the account of lack of dependable water sources in water-stressed, drought prone and desert areas of the state, non-tendering of several JJM works approved by State Level Scheme Sanctioning Committee (SLSSC), non-availability of state matching share fund thus, affecting the pace of implementation of JJM in state. The state government of Rajasthan has informed each household including those in Barmer-Jaisalmer Parliamentary constituency will be provided tap water connection by 2028.

(b) and (c) Under JJM, the minimum service delivery has been fixed as 55 litres per capita per day (lpcd). In addition, provision has been made in operational guidelines for implementation of JJM for construction of cattle trough to provide drinking water to livestock especially in hilly terrain, drought prone and desert areas. Furthermore, during the preparation of Village Action Plan (VAP) by village community, an assessment is made of the water requirements for the village, along with the identification of locations for the construction of cattle troughs for livestock.

(d) Under JJM, funds are released directly to the States/ UTs and their district-wise / parliamentary constituency wise fund details are not maintained at the Government of India level. The details of fund allocation, fund drawn and reported fund utilization during the last five years (2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24) and current financial year 2024-25 (as on 10.03.2025) by the state of Rajasthan are as under:

(Amount in Rs. Crore)

Year	Central					Expenditure under State share
	Opening Balance	Allocation	Fund Drawn	Available Fund	Reported utilization	
2019-20	313.67	1,301.71	1,301.71	1,615.38	620.31	686.69
2020-21	995.07	2,522.03	630.51	1,625.58	762.04	789.05
2021-22	863.53	10,180.50	2,345.08	3,208.61	1,919.83	1,665.84
2022-23	1,288.79	13,328.60	6,081.80	7,370.59	3,937.70	4,123.31
2023-24	3,435.49	3,019.94	250.00	3,685.49	2,898.54	3,904.64
2024-25*	786.95	11,061.46	1,659.22	2,446.17	2,180.28	2,154.96

Source: JJM-IMIS

(as on 10.03.2025)

(e) As reported by state government of Rajasthan, there are 4,836 villages sanctioned in Barmer-Jaisalmer Parliamentary constituency out of which 2,232 villages are benefitted with water supply.

(f) As informed by state government of Rajasthan, the SLSSC in its 37th meeting dated 03.05.2023 granted approval for providing FHTCs in village Bariyada through village distribution network under Barmer Lift Water Supply project. The project is at bidding stage.
