

**Government of India
Ministry of Jal Shakti
Department of Drinking Water & Sanitation**

Subject: Monthly summary for the month of April, 2023 in respect of Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation.

I. Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM)

23.92 lakh households were provided with functional household tap water connections, taking the total number to 11.81 crore.

II. Swachh Bharat Mission – Grameen Phase – II (SBM-G)

8,816 villages reported to have been covered with Solid Waste Management facilities and 38,284 villages with Liquid Waste Management facilities during the month. 43,295 villages declared themselves ODF Plus, taking the total number to 2,84,460 out of 5,94,337 inhabited villages.

III. Joint Review Meeting

Hon'ble Minister for Jal Shakti and Hon'ble Chief Minister of Kerala co-chaired a meeting to review the implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission and Swachh Bharat Mission – Grameen in Kerala at Thiruvananthapuram on 19th April 2023. Separately, Secretary, DDWS along with Chief Secretary, Kerala had a meeting with District Collectors through video conferencing as well as with the agencies (central and state) responsible for giving clearances, a major issue for the State. Secretary, DDWS also visited some of the villages to see the progress at the ground level.

IV. Secretary, DDWS and Chief Secretary, Karnataka co-chaired a meeting to review the implementation of JJM and SBM (G) in Karnataka on 5th April 2023 at Bengaluru. Concerned senior officers joined in person while the Collectors and other district officers joined on VC.

V. Similarly, on 11th April, 2023, Secretary, DDWS took a joint review meeting with Chief Secretary, Tamil Nadu in Chennai to assess the progress made in implementing JJM and SBM-G. District Collectors from the Districts joined the meeting through video conferencing.

VI. A review meeting on the implementation of JJM and SBM(G) in the UT of Jammu & Kashmir was chaired by LG, J&K on 24th April 2023 at Jammu. Separately, Secretary, DDWS also had a meeting with the District Collectors through VC, and visited some villages.

VII. A meeting was held on 25th April 2023 along with Secretary, D/o Water Resources, RD & GR, to jointly review the progress of the Jal Shakti Abhiyan-Catch the Rain 2023 with the States/UTs.



VIII. A meeting was taken by Secretary, DDWS to review the ongoing Externally Assisted Projects (EAPs) for rural water supply in various states, as timely progress in these is crucial for achieving saturation.

IX. Secretary, DDWS chaired a Panel discussion on "Achieving ODF Plus Villages and Drinking Water in Rural Areas" in the meeting of Aspirational districts and blocks organised by NITI Aayog on 28th April, 2023 at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre, New Delhi. A detailed presentation on both the Missions, i.e., JJM and SBM-G Phase – II was made. An exhibition on ODF Plus Model village was organised by the department at the venue.

X. Orientation of Newly joined ACSs/Principal Secretaries/Secretaries in-charge of Rural Sanitation, Mission Directors and State Coordinators, SBM(G) was done by JS&MD, SBM-G on 17th April, 2023 at DDWS, New Delhi through VC. Total 20 participants attended the orientation.

XI. Monthly newsletter

The monthly newsletter of SBM-G, viz., "Swachhata Samachar" was issued for the month of April, 2023. It will apprise the States about various campaigns being organised under SBM-G. It also solicits States/UTs' to share success stories on Solid and Liquid Waste Management.

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