

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

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

I. Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM)

A record 32.72 lakh households were provided with functional household tap water connections, at the rate of over one lakh connections daily, taking the total number to 11.57 crore. An amount of Rs.20,113.78 crore was released to the States /UTs during the month taking the total utilisation to Rs.54,814 crore in FY 2022-23 against the RE of Rs.55, 000 crore.

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

3,69,842 Individual Household Latrines (IHHLs) and 2,055 Community Sanitary Complexes (CSCs) have been constructed. Additionally, 8,492 villages reported to have been covered with Solid Waste Management facilities and 40,442 villages with Liquid Waste Management. 42,027 villages declared themselves ODF Plus, taking the total number to 2,41,165 out of 5,94,337 inhabited villages. An amount of Rs.1,993.89 crore was released to the States/UTs during the month, taking the total budget utilization to Rs.4,925 crore against the RE of Rs.5,000 crore.

III. Swachh Sujal Shakti Samman

Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation and the Department of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, organised “Swachh Sujal Shakti Samman” event on 4th March, 2023 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi. Hon’ble President of India graced the occasion and presented awards to women champions from the rural water and sanitation sector, recognising their contributions to the Swachh Bharat Mission Grameen (SBM-G), the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) and the Jal Shakti Abhiyan. Sh. Gajendra Singh Shekhawat, Union Minister of Jal Shakti, Sh. Devusinh Jesingbhai Chauhan, Minister of State for Communications, Sh. Prahlad Singh Patel, Minister of State for Jal Shakti and Food Processing Industries; Sh. Bishweswar Tudu, Minister of State for Jal Shakti and Tribal Affairs also participated in the event.

IV. Hon’ble Minister of Jal Shakti chaired a review meeting with the State Ministers in charge of Panchayati Raj, Rural Development and Rural Sanitation of all States/UTs on 06.03.2023 at 12.30 PM to review the progress under SBM(G) Phase II.

V. The Annual Implementation Plans (AIPs) in respect of SBM-G and Annual Action Plans in respect of JJM for 2023-24 were finalised in the meetings held jointly during the month with State SBM (G) and JJM teams under the chairmanship of Secretary, DDWS, New Delhi.

VI. A VC to discuss the progress on Phase-I of Light House Initiative under SBM(G) was held on 15.03.2023 from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM under the chairmanship of Joint Secretary & Mission Director, SBM(G) with the State Mission Directors and Corporate partners. Discussion was held to review the progress under the Light House Initiative with 15 States, challenges in the process of implementation and way forward for completing Phase I.

VII. Orientation on Phase-II of SBM(G) was organised for Newly deputed State/District Officials/Consultants on 23rd March, 2023 through VC. More than 600 participants from the States/UTs attended the orientation.

VIII. Monthly newsletter

The monthly newsletter of SBM-G viz. "Swachhata Samachar" was issued for the month of March, 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.
