

Q With the Jal Jeevan Mission, latest in a series of nationwide programmes empower women and reduce their laundry? Comment

India, Country with 16 Per Cent of World's Population and only have 4 Per Cent of World's fresh water resources. 250 districts out of 700 districts of India, highly water stressed in nature. According to report of National Commission of Women, an average rural woman in Rajasthan walks 2.5 km to reach water source.

Role of Jal Jeevan Mission on Clean water Supply

Works under the Jal Shakti Ministry, have aim of give functional tap water to every house hold in Country by 2024.

But currently only 18 Percent of house holds have this Amenity.

Steps taken for water supply

1) Every village is to prepare village action plan which will be essentially having three components.

- 1) Water source & Maintenance
- 2) Water supply
- 3) Grey water management

This plan lead into district and state plans.

Way forward

1) Pani Samiti have critical role in implementation of the JRM, but some time give more financial support to them, to take efficient decisions as per needs. The role of state government in this section is predominant ^{because the water is in state list}

2) Integration of existing schemes and initiatives working for pure water supply in state and district levels especially the dry areas like in Rajasthan, Eastern Maharashtra, hilly-terrains of Himalayan states.

2) Infrastructure development with rural level

Participation

Swachh Bharath Mission, provide lot of job opportunities apart from MGNREGS works to rural masses. In the same line the JIM ~~have~~ play a major role in local participation in infrastructures like water tanks, Pipping etc. The role Female Masons, (Rani Mistresses) in this sector is predominant.

JIM, is a wide scope mission, the water supply along with human welfare especially the women welfare, because they affect most by the water scarcity issues. The Integration of Central-State level water supply measures and accountable water supply system determine the success of mission.