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Dear Chief Secretary,

As you are all aware, Jal Jeevan Mission, a flagship program launched by the Government of India in 2019 aims at providing tap water supply to every rural household in the country. The mission also calls for provision of safe tap water supply in schools as access to clean drinking water has a deep measurable impact on the health and the general well-being of children. The campaign aims at providing piped water supply for drinking, toilet use, hand washing facilities. It also calls for rainwater harvesting in school premises as a measure for conservation of water. Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) lays emphasis on functionality of tap connections on a long-term basis and arrangements for its regular operations and maintenance. In addition, arrangement such as soak pit for safe recharge or reuse in kitchen garden, need to be made for proper management of greywater.

2. Apart from the earlier interventions, a focussed review of water facilities in schools is called for, with special emphasis on Rural Area Schools. We must look into the saturation of availability of drinking water facilities in schools and availability of running tap water connections.

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Regarding the above, it is requested to identify gaps of above-mentioned facilities in schools and saturate the facility of availability of drinking water. (Please find enclosed the National Status as updated on UDISE+ portal; **UDISE+ 2022-23 provisional**). The availability of clean drinking water through tap connections as well as the availability of running tap water supply in toilets should be qualitatively and quantitatively improved across schools.

- 3. In this regard, States/UTs are requested to conduct reviews to monitor progress on two levels:
  - i) Quarterly review at the Chief Secretary level;
  - ii) Monthly review at the Education Secretary level in collaboration with relevant departments.

The reports of these reviews may be shared with the Department of School Education and Literacy on a regular basis which in turn would share it with Gol Ministries.

- 4. Further, the States/UTs, in continuation to the efforts being undertaken towards greywater management, and creation of Rainwater Harvesting facilities in schools, may review the funds being allocated by different departments for similar schemes of the Central Government and consider convergence of such funds towards this effort. Funds for developing these facilities can also be converged with the Finance Commission grants and need to find a place in the Gram Panchayat Development Plans, Block Panchayat Development Plans and Zilla Panchayat Development Plans. A report may also be provided on the use of funds of GPDP, BPDP and ZPDP for creation of Rainwater Harvesting facilities in schools so far.
- 5. In view of the above, we earnestly request your cooperation and active involvement in realising the vision of Clean Water for all, by saturation of availability of Drinking water facilities and availability of running tap water connections in schools, with safe management of used water.

Warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

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To.

## Chief Secretaries of all States/UTs

(Sanjay Kumar)

CC:

- 1. ACS/Principal Secretaries/Secretaries (School Education Department)
- 2. ACS/Principal Secretaries/Secretaries (Rural Development Department)
- 3. ACS/Principal Secretaries/Secretaries (Panchayati Raj Department)
- 4. ACS/Principal Secretaries/Secretaries (Drinking Water and Sanitation Deptt.)

Number of Schools with Drinking water, Tapwater and rainwater harvesting facility in Rural, 2022-23 (Provisional)

State/UT	Number of Schools			Schools with Drinking water			Schools with Tapwater			Schools with rainwater harvesting		
	Govt	Govt aided	Pvt	Govt	Govt aided	Pvt	Govt	Govt aided	Pvt	Govt	Govt aided	Pvt
India	930659	54146	190659	915301	52162	188411	474289	33105	12041	26756 5	19808	62155
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	309	1	46	309	1	46	268		45	97	0	12
Andhra Pradesh	40681	615	7536	40677	615.	7536	27214	436	6047	40237	610	7487
Arunachal Pradesh	2737	55	343	2170	54	334	1839	51	289	76	8	61
Assam	42868	3243	4616	42167	2868	4494	20739	408	1856	3895	44	276
Bihar	70854	518	5325	67700	479	5163	15168	77	3084	10721	64	1268
Chhattisgarh	45612	289	4106	45381	289	4102	13978	129	2217	20156	146	1544
Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	343	4	44	343	4	44	317	4	33	325	1	17
Goa	689	414	79	689	414	79	678	411	78	14	26	9
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Gujarat	31489	3894	5485	31454	3894	5485	25369	3270	4707	7172 4853	594	1624
Haryana	12658	3	4316	12645	3	4315	10373	3	3577		1	1402
Himachal Pradesh	14963	0	2147	14963	0	2147	14702	0	2070	1354	0	366
Jammu & Kashmir	17575	1	3955	17472	1	3932	14761	1	3595	1463	0	625
Jharkhand	34057	913	1025	33407	900	1022	7347	245	579	7272	151	431
Karnataka	42731	3565	7992	42721	3565	7976	38087	3286	7123	11191	1306	3921
Kerala	3871	5851	2227	3866	5848	2227	1670	2467	1015	1671	1683	840
Ladakh	804	27	84	782	27	83	448	17	56	9	0	2
Lakshadweep	37	0	0	37	0	0	36	0	0	23	0	0
Madhya Pradesh .	86459	268	14308	86165	265	14185	14564	83	6733	14264	59	4333
Maharashtra	58874	13431	7932	58457	13427	7920	39964	9418	5353	13877	5511	3587
Manipur	2664	480	727	2664	480	727	601	86	393	445	75	375
Meghalaya	7418	3749	1860	3938	2285	953	2687	1714	680	685	346	191
Mizoram	1931	134	552	1687	132	501	1182	99.	396	1019	59	261
Nagaland	1716	0	415	1033	0	343	656	0	211	574	0	152
Odisha	46179	5449	4328	46164	5402	4316	25018	3105	3272	26144	2939	1619
Puducherry	242	10	137	242	10	137	232	10	123	99	3	79
Punjab	17259	78	4131	17248	78	4128	11243	69	3424	3387	22	1403
Rajasthan	65456	0	20316	63447	0	19873	27152	0	14907	26431	0	7161
Sikkim	826	15	-292	822	15	290	812	15	285	126	0	18
Tamilnadu	31694	4661	5533	31694	4661	5533	31503	4317	5271	31694	4661	5533
Telangana	25162	76	2953	24144	71	2953	16800	50	2049	5298	16	850
Tripura	3986	11	287	3568	10	281	1931	9	199	96	0	43
Uttar Pradesh	130725	5988	68399	130399	5975	68276	63077	2991	34833	27480	1401	15626
Uttarakhand	15241	394	2903	14539	380	2860	13193	329	2473	2474	82	623
West Bengal	72549	9	6260	72307	9	6150	30680	4	3441	2943	0	416

Source: UDISE+ 2022-23 (provisional)