



Jal Jeevan Mission

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Recently, **Union Ministry for Jal Shakti**, conducted a conference of State Ministers on **Jal Jeevan Mission** in New Delhi.

- Indian Prime Minister on independence day announced that the government will launch a Jal Jeevan Mission **to bring piped water to households** and resolved to spend more **than ₹3.5 lakh crore in the coming years**.
- **India has 16% of the world population, but only 4% of freshwater resources.**
Depleting groundwater level, overexploitation and deteriorating water quality, climate change, etc. are **major challenges** to provide potable drinking water.
- Therefore, ensuring India's water security and providing access to safe and adequate drinking water to all Indians is a priority of the Government.
- Under **Jal Jeevan Mission**, the government envisages **renewed efforts to provide water supply to every household by 2024**.
- The Jal Jeevan Mission is set to be based on various water conservation efforts like point recharge, desilting of minor irrigation tanks, use of greywater for agriculture and source sustainability.
- The Jal Jeevan Mission will **converge** with other Central and State Government Schemes to achieve its objectives of sustainable water supply management across the country.
- The Prime Minister appealed to all states to generate maximum community participation in the form of **'Jan Andolan'** to achieve the target of functional household tap connection by 2024.

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