

Need to investigate into alleged irregularities in implementation of Har Ghar Jal Projects in Darjeeling and Kalimpong districts in West Bengal-Laid

SHRI RAJU BISTA (DARJEELING): For decades, our region Darjeeling hills, Terai and Dooars region was neglected, discriminated against and kept deliberately deprived. However, I am happy to report that the Central Government has initiated project worth over Rs 60,000 crore in our region. The Central Govt has allocated Rs 3500 crore for Jal Jeevan Mission ? Har Ghar Jal project for Darjeeling Lok Sabha constituency alone. I am thankful for this. However, I am troubled and sad to report that till now, out of this Rs 3500 crore allocated funds, work has not been done even for Rs 350 crore. Sir, the Har Ghar Jal Project is yet to be implemented properly. Particularly in Darjeeling and Kalimpong districts, no work is going on in appropriate manner in any of the ?Jal Jeevan Mission? projects. I have myself visited various parts of constituency extensively and witnessed the shoddy work being undertaken first hand. In addition, I have received over 100 complaints from across the constituency accompanied with pictures and videos highlighting the shoddy work being undertaken. I request the Government to send a central team to monitor and investigate the allegations of irregularities in Har Ghar Jal projects in Darjeeling and Kalimpong districts.