

Need to expedite implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission in Kerala-Laid

SHRI BENNY BEHANAN (CHALAKUDY): I wish to draw the attention of the Government to the serious delays in the implementation of the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) in Kerala. The Mission, which aims to provide Functional Household Tap Connections (FHTCs) to all rural households, is facing hurdles due to fund shortages and non-disbursal of payments to contractors. This has significantly slowed down progress, affecting thousands of households. Moreover, roads dug up for JJM pipeline works remain unrestored, causing severe inconvenience to the public. Many panchayat roads are in a dilapidated state, posing safety hazards to commuters and residents. The delay in releasing payments has further stalled road restoration efforts. I urge the Government to immediately address the issue by releasing pending funds, ensuring timely payments to contractors, and directing authorities to restore affected roads at the earliest. The success of JJM depends on efficient execution, and any delay undermines the purpose of providing safe drinking water. I seek the intervention of the Hon?ble Minister to take urgent action in this regard.