

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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POLLUTED WATER IN DELHI
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether large areas in Delhi were supplied polluted and dirty drinking water on July 4, 2006;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the names of areas which still remain deprived of drinking water in the city; and
- (d) the action being taken to ensure adequate water supply to these areas?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a)&(b): The Delhi Jal Board (DJB) has informed that on 4.7.2006, 309 water samples were lifted from individual taps, public stand posts and complainant houses etc. all over Delhi, Out of which only 18 water samples were found unfit in accordance with the laid down standards. These were due to leakage in individual service connection, surcharges of sewers/waster water lines etc. The faults so found were rectified immediately.

(c)&(d): The DJB has informed that piped water supply does not exist in some unauthorised-regularised colonies of West, South-West, South and North-West Districts. However, taking into account the technical feasibility, DJB has taken up extending of piped water supply network through construction of Under Ground Reservoirs/Booster Pumping Stations and laying of peripheral mains in a planned manner in phases. Potable water is also supplied to these areas through water tankers.