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Deputy CM and DWS Minister called a review meeting on implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission

The state government is working with the goal to provide clean drinking water connection to every house in the state under Jal Jeevan Mission project. In this regard, Deputy Chief Minister Jishnu Dev Varma and Drinking Water & Sanitation Minister Sushanta Chowdhury called a review meeting on the progress of implementations of plans taken up by the DWS department at Deputy Chief Minister's office on December 17. The plans taken up in the high-level review meeting on December 7, 2021 with DWS and Power department jointly were discussed in the meeting.

Chief Engineer of DWS department Rajib Debbarma in the meeting said, at present 181 water supply projects are ready to be commissioned. Apart from this, initiative has been taken to commission more 288 water supply projects by December this year. Just recently, 167 transformers were supplied by the Power department for the proper implementation of the plans. 14 more transformers will be supplied soon. He said, 3% coverage was done in the state before March, 2018 under Jal Jeevan Mission project whereas at present the coverage has increased to 38%. Initiatives have been taken to provide more 29 thousand new drinking water connections. As a result, the drinking water connection coverage will increase to 43%. Director of TSECL (technical) Debashish Sarkar in the meeting said, target is there to complete power connections including setting up of 181 transformers in order to make water supply projects operational by the second week of January, 2022. Apart from this, more 200 transformers will be set up by February, 2022. Besides that, providing necessary power connections for commissioning 722 small bore deep tube wells will also be completed by December this year. Deputy Chief Minister and Power Minister Jishnu Dev Varma and Drinking Water & Sanitation Minister Sushanta Chowdhury both emphasized upon both departments to jointly reach the goal of providing clean drinking water to every house in the state.
