## **STATE PROGRAMME - BASUDHA** (Buxi Jagabandhu Assured Drinking Water to all Habitation)

Hon'ble Chief Minister launched water for all mission in the year 2017 under "BASUDHA" (Buxi Jagabandhu Assured Drinking Water to all The program mandates universal Habitation). coverage of drinking water in all the ULBs including slums. H&UDD has drawn ambitious plan to invest approx 4380 cr phase wise from 2015-16 onwards to provide at-least 70 lpcd, later raised to 135 lpcd across all the ULBs. A progressive increment in supply duration was needed to achieve 24x7 coverage. The thrust areas for investment is universal coverage through piped water supply to all wards, streets including slums of all ULBs. The other aspects of the program that are fundamental to the mission are optimal resource utilization, efficient management and service level improvement through 100% coverage, improvement in water quality monitoring, metering and reduction of nonrevenue water, and improvement in the operational efficiency.

Expanding contours of habitations in new areas are making last mile connectivity of drinking water supply more arduous, coupled with aging pipes that needs replacement and consistent pressure to maintain the flow of water till the end point. Keeping pace with rapid urbanization, the department could achieve piped water connection in 108 ULBs out of 115 till 2022-23, the remaining will be completed by Dec 23.

## **100% HOUSE CONNECTIONS IN ALL URBAN AREAS**

Universal coverage of all households through 100% household drinking water supply connections was targeted under BASUDHA. By the end of 2022-23, 106 ULBs out of 115 have been provided with 100% household water supply connections and the remaining ULBs are targeted to achieve the same by 2023-24.