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JALMINAR: AN OPPORTUNITY TOWARDS COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT

Jal Minar : An initiative under the HRDP project to provide safe drinking water to the community. A overhead tank is constructed which is connected with the ground water source to fetch potable drinking water for community. Connections have been done to different locations through pipeline to increase access of the community.



Operational mechanism : A water user committee has been formed in each Jalminar village through selecting members from the village development committee (VDC) to ensure judicious use of water. These members oversee the use of water in the village.

Sustainability and community Engagement :

In order to ensure sustainability of the efforts and ensure regular repair and maintenance of the water resource each family provide Rs.10/- per month. A bank account has been opened to keep the money and a guideline has been prepared engaging community for use of the saving. Beneath every Jal Minar community has developed systems to make optimum use of the place like it has been developed as a place for community meeting of keeping common resources etc.



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