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# Atishi: Haryana Not Giving Water Share

## Claims Level At Wazirabad Plant Down, Haryana Says Has Always Honoured All Decisions By SC

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**New Delhi:** Water minister Atishi visited the Wazirabad water treatment plant on Friday and once again accused Haryana of not supplying Yamuna raw water to the capital. She said that the water level at the Wazirabad pond had declined since June 2 and had plunged to 669.7 ft on Friday, 4 ft below the normal level.

Despite the low water level at Wazirabad, Delhi Jal Board reported a water production of 1,002 million gallons per day (MGD), 2 MGD more than its summer action plan target. The four main sources of water for the WTPs have been carrying more than their actual allocation in the past few days. However, the Carrier Lined Canal, which has been allocated 369 MGD, is giving DJB only 263 MGD.

Atishi alleged, "Haryana govt is not giving Delhi the rightful due of water. Due to this, the water level at Wazirabad has come down to 669.7 ft today compared with 671.3 ft on June 2. For the last five days, when the hearing in the Supreme Court was under way, Haryana govt was cons-



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piring against the capital."

The minister also maintained that even if Himachal Pradesh released 137 cusecs of water as directed by the Supreme Court on Thursday, it would not benefit Delhi. Atishi said that Delhi govt would apprise the Supreme Court of this and hoped the city would receive its share of water and the additional water from Himachal without

obstruction in Haryana.

Satbir Singh Kadian, engineer in chief, Haryana irrigation & water resources department, responded that the state had always abided by the law and honoured all decision of the Supreme Court. The Upper Yamuna River Board and Central Water Commission had confirmed this, he said, adding that the 137 cusecs ordered by the apex court on Wednesday would be supplied at the earliest and UYRB was working out the modalities.

This is not the first time that Atishi has charged Haryana with short-changing Delhi on Yamuna water. From May 22, when she claimed Haryana was "stopping" water supply to the city while announcing measures to manage the scarcity, she has been repeating her contention.

Water rationing has been announced and DJB has decided wasting piped water would invite a fine.

Atishi emphasised on Friday that Delhi relied on the Yamuna for its entire water supply and reduced water supply from Haryana caused water supply shortages for the residents of the city.



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# CM Mann promises uninterrupted canal water supply for paddy season

## MPOST BUREAU

**CHANDIGARH:** Punjab Chief Minister, Bhagwant Singh Mann urged the farmers to make maximum use of surface water during the ensuing paddy season to save the ground water. The CM, while chairing a meeting of the water resources department, said that the state government is fully geared to supply canal water from the upcoming paddy season. He said that from June 11 the canal water will be supplied to farmers uninterrupted as the work of de-silting the canals have already been accomplished.

Mann expressed hope that the farmers will duly utilise the canal water for irrigating the paddy fields and play a major role in saving the ground water. The CM said that Punjab is on the threshold of setting a new record for supplying canal

Mann affirmed the government's readiness to supply canal water from June 11, following desilting operations and expressed hope that farmers would effectively utilise canal water for irrigating paddy fields

water for the irrigational needs adding that for the first time the state government has set up a dedicated control room for inquiries regarding supply of canal water. Mann said that canal water will be supplied in districts of Sri Muktsar Sahib, Faridkot, Mansa, Bathinda, Fazilka, Ferozepur and areas beyond fence at international border from June 11 and in Moga, Sangrur, Malerkotla, Patiala, Fatehgarh Sahib, SAS Nagar, Rupnagar, Ludhiana, Kapurthala, Jalandhar, Hoshiarpur, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar, Tarn Taran, Amritsar, Gurdaspur and Pathankot

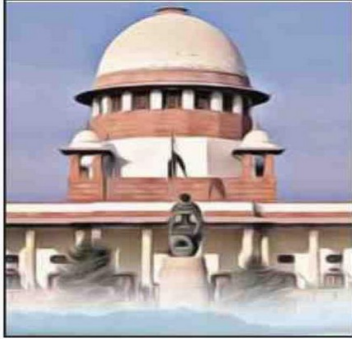
from June 15. Chairing another meeting, Mann on Friday, said that the state government is duty bound to ensure uninterrupted supply of ration to the beneficiaries under Ghar Ghar ration scheme.

Reviewing the scheme, the CM said that due to their vested political interests some people had spread rumours that a huge reduction has been made in ration by the state government. He said that this was baseless and unwarranted as all the beneficiaries are getting the facility under the scheme and full ration is being given to them.

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## पानी पर दिल्ली को राहत

**रा**जधानी दिल्ली में पानी की भारी किल्लत पर सर्वोच्च अदालत की टिप्पणी मायनेखेज है। शीर्ष अदालत ने इसी के मद्देनजर हिमाचल प्रदेश को 7 जून को दिल्ली के लिए 137 क्यूसेक अतिरिक्त जल छोड़ने का निर्देश दिया। साथ ही हरियाणा से कहा कि वह दिल्ली तक पानी का सुगम प्रवाह सुनिश्चित करे। दरअसल, दिल्ली में पानी की घनघोर किल्लत पिछले एक महीने से लगातार बनी हुई है। पानी को लेकर दिल्ली में हिंसक झड़प भी हुई। यहां तक कि एक शख्स की मौत भी हुई। दूसरी ओर, दिल्ली सरकार में मंत्री और आम आदमी पार्टी की वरिष्ठ नेता अतिशी ने पिछले हफ्ते हरियाणा और उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार को पत्र लिखकर अतिरिक्त पानी देने का अनुरोध किया था। हकीकी तौर पर दिल्ली में पानी को लेकर हमेशा से राजनीति होती रही है। इस



बार भी कुछ ऐसा ही हो रहा था। एक तरफ भाजपा ने जहां दिल्ली सरकार को पानी के मामले पर लगातार घेरा और पानी की कमी को लेकर केजरीवाल सरकार की नाक में दम किए रखी। वहीं आम आदमी पार्टी का कहना है कि इस बार चूंकि गर्मी का कहर ज्यादा रहा इसलिए राज्य में पानी की जोरदार कमी महसूस की गई, मगर हरियाणा और उत्तर प्रदेश ने मानवीय मूल्यों की परवाह नहीं की और दिल्ली की जनता को पानी के लिए

तरसाया। खैर, सर्वोच्च अदालत को इस बात का इल्म है कि पानी पर यहां जमकर राजनीति हो रही है। यही वजह है कि उसने इस मामले में राजनीति न करने की सख्त हिदायत दी है। बहरहाल, पानी की बर्बादी किस तरह की जाती है इस बात से कोई इनकार नहीं कर सकता है। अगर लोगों में यह समझ पैदा हो जाए कि पानी का समझदारी से इस्तेमाल और इसे बचाने में ही भलाई है तो ऐसी दुर्गति से बचा जा सकता है। यह शाश्वत सत्य है कि पानी को बचाया जा सकता है, मगर पानी बनाया नहीं जा सकता है। वैसे भी जल संकट दिल्ली की बड़ी और काफी दिनों की समस्या है। इससे निपटने का कोई युक्तसंगत उपाय हर हाल में तलाशना होगा। साथ ही अगर जो लोग पानी की बर्बादी करते पाए जाएंगे तो उन पर सख्ती भी की जानी चाहिए। पानी की जरूरत का अहसास तभी होता है जब यह नहीं मिलती है। इस बात को हमें समझना ही होगा।