

The department is primarily responsible for supply of safe drinking water to rural areas and development of sanitation facilities.

The department follows the guidelines of **National Rural Drinking Water Programme(NRDWP)** and **Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan(NBA)** of the Govt. of India as well as the guidelines/policies laid down by the Govt. of Bihar.

There is a paradigm shift in the role of the department and is now gearing itself up as a social engineering department whereby the behavioral change in people is being brought about through Information Education Communication(IEC).