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MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION

RAJYA SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. *344

ANSWERED ON 03.04.2023

IMPLEMENTATION OF PMKSY

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Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) the goals and objectives of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY);
- (b) the details of the funds allocated, released and utilised under the said scheme in various districts of Puducherry;
- (c) the details of the works undertaken under PMKSY in various districts of the said Union Territory (UT);
- (d) the steps taken by Government for time bound execution of the projects under PMKSY in the said UT; and
- (e) the details of the targets set for the next two years under this scheme in the said UT?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF STARRED QUESTION No. *344 TO BE ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 03.04.2023 REGARDING "IMPLEMENTATION OF PMKSY".

(a) Centrally sponsored scheme Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) was launched during the year 2015-16 with the goal to enhance physical access of water on farm and expand cultivable area under assured irrigation, improve on-farm water use efficiency and to introduce sustainable water conservation practices.

PMKSY is an umbrella scheme, consisting of two major components being implemented by this Ministry, namely, Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP), and Har Khet Ko Pani (HKKP). HKKP, in turn, consists of four sub-components: Command Area Development & Water Management (CAD&WM), Surface Minor Irrigation (SMI), Repair, Renovation and Restoration (RRR) of Water Bodies, and Ground Water (GW) Development. However, the CAD&WM sub-component of HKKP is being implemented pari-passu with AIBP.

In addition, PMKSY also consists of two components being implemented by other Ministries. Watershed Development component (WDC) of PMKSY is being implemented by Department of Land Resources. Further, Per Drop More Crop (PDMC) component, being implemented by Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (DoA&FW), was implemented as a part of PMKSY till December, 2021. Thereafter, PDMC is being implemented by DoA&FW as a part of Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana, in lieu of PMKSY.

The main objectives of PMKSY include bringing new areas under irrigation, bridging the gap between irrigation potential created & its utilization, improving on-farm water use efficiency, enhancement of physical access of water on the farm, expansion of cultivable area under assured irrigation along with the renovation of water bodies, development of groundwater based irrigation in sustainable regions, integrated development of rainfed areas towards soil and water conservation, regeneration of groundwater, arresting runoff, and promoting extension activities related to water harvesting & management.

(b) to (e) Under PMKSY-PDMC, central assistance of Rs. 202.55 lakh has been released to Puducherry in the year 2015-16 for water conservation /harvesting activities, preparation of district irrigation plans and extension activities. Other than this, no other project is being implemented, or proposed by Government of Puducherry, under any component of PMKSY.