# **GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**

# MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI

# DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION

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# **UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 422**

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# PRADHAN MANTRI KRISHI SINCHAYEE YOJANA (PMKSY)

422. SHRI PRAMOD TIWARI

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Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of ongoing major/medium irrigation projects under the PMKSY-Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Program (AIBP);
- (b) details of beneficiary crop area covered under the assured irrigation category under the Active Irrigation Benefit Program (AIBP) in 2022-23; and
- (c) whether Government has any concrete plan to change its priorities in view of the reduced budget of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana?

#### **ANSWER**

# THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI BISHWESWAR TUDU)

(a) Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) was launched during the year 2015-16, with an aim to enhance physical access of water on farm and expand cultivable area under assured irrigation, improve on-farm water use efficiency, introduce sustainable water conservation practices, etc. Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) is one of the components of PMKSY, whereby partial financial assistance is being provided by Government of India for identified major/ medium irrigation projects.

During 2016-17, ninety-nine (99) on-going major/medium irrigation projects (and 7 phases) were identified as priority projects to be taken up under PMKSY-AIBP. Assured financial assistance was provisioned for these projects by this Ministry under Long Term Irrigation Fund, with borrowings from NABARD. Out of these projects, AIBP works of 53 prioritized projects have been reported to be completed. The remaining 53 projects are at different stages of implementation, with progress in 22 projects being more than 90%, whereas 13 projects report progress between 80 to 90%.

Further, after approval of implementation of PMKSY during 2021-2026, six number additional irrigation projects have been included under PMKSY-AIBP from 2021-22 onwards, which are presently under implementation.

**(b)** Under PMKSY-AIBP, out of targeted balance irrigation potential of 34.64 lakh hectare, 25.11 lakh hectare has been created during 2016-17 to 2022-23. Out of this, 0.76 lakh hectare has been reported to be created during 2022-23.

Further, an additional irrigation potential of 25 thousand hectare has been reported to be created by the six additional projects included in 2021-22 onwards, out of which 13 thousand hectare is created during 2022-23.

(c) Budget allocation to service the central assistance as per the norms of different components of PMKSY, has been in line with the projected requirements.

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