

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES,  
RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3933**  
ANSWERED ON 10.08.2017

**FAST TRACK SCHEME FOR IRRIGATION PROJECTS**

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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to fast track major/ minor irrigation projects to increase irrigation area in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds spent thereon in the States including the criteria adopted to include these projects under the fast track scheme;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to include any canal project in Karnataka under the scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the decision is likely to be taken?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION

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(a) to (d) Under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana-Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP), 99 ongoing Major/Medium projects having irrigation potential of 76.03 lakh ha. have been identified, in consultation with states which could be completed in phases up to December, 2019. Out of above, Five projects are in Karnataka having ultimate Irrigation Potential of 2.53 lakh ha. For completion of these 99 projects in a mission mode, funding mechanism through NABARD has been approved by the Government for both Central as well as State share. Further, a Mission has also been established for their implementation. Funds amounting to Rs. 10010 cr. have been released for these projects during 2016-17 through Long Term Irrigation Fund (LTIF) including Polavaram Project and state share for six states.

Surface Minor Irrigation (SMI) scheme is component of Har Khet Ko Pani (HKKP) under PMKSY. Central Assistance of Rs.148.01 cr. has been released for SMI projects during 2016-17.

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