GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4565

ANSWERED ON 22.03.2018

FUNDS FOR SARDAR SAROVAR PROJECT

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

- (a) whether corrigenda to the guidelines effective from October 2013 on modified guidelines for Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP) stipulating that Special Areas for major/medium irrigation projects of Non-special Category States include DPAP, Tribal and Flood-prone areas only will not be discriminatory for Gujarat against receiving benefit for DDP and DPAP under Sardar Sarovar Project and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the availability of more funds for Sardar Sarovar Project will expedite its early completion in case DPAP and DDP are treated at par and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ARJUN RAM MEGHWAL)

(a) & (b) During 2016-17, funding criteria for the projects under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) - Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) benefiting Desert Development Programme (DDP) area was made at par with that for projects benefiting Drought Prone Areas Programme (DPAP) area. This has resulted in increase in the Central share for Sardar Sarovar Project of Gujarat and thus beneficial for it.

As intimated by the State, Sardar Sarovar Project is planned to be completed by December, 2019.
