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

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RENOVATION OF WATER BODIES

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has allocated any funds to desilt, repair and raise the bunds of water bodies in Tamil Nadu;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the total funds allocated for the purpose during the last three years and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Union Government has provided any other special component funds from both Union Government and foreign financial institutions for the said project; and
- (d) 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) Works related to water resources development & management are planned, funded, executed and maintained by the State Governments themselves as per their own resources and priorities. In order to supplement the efforts of the State Governments, Government of India provides technical and financial assistance to State Governments to encourage sustainable development and efficient management of water resources through various schemes and programmes such as Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) and scheme for Repair, Renovation and Restoration (RRR) of Water Bodies etc.

Under the Repair, Renovation and Restoration (RRR) of Water Bodies Scheme of PMKSY – Har Khet ko Pani, Central Assistance (CA) of Rs.5.1279 crore to Phase – I (48 water bodies) and Rs.4.0956 crore to phase – II (56 water bodies) of Tamil Nadu has been released in FY 2015-16. Thereafter, the State has not submitted any complete proposal for release of CA for these water bodies as per the guidelines of the scheme.

Further, State Government from its own resources has allocated Rs.499.78 crore for restoration of water bodies under the Kudimaramath Scheme from 2016-17 to 2018-19(2016-17 Rs. 100 crore, 2017-18 Rs.99.78 crore and 2018-19 Rs.300 crore).

(c) & (d) 'Irrigated Agriculture Modernisation and Water Bodies Restoration and Management (IAMWARM)' Project with external assistance from World Bank was completed by Government of Tamil Nadu in June, 2015. Under this project, modernization, rehabilitation and water management works were taken up for 5009 tanks located in 61 sub-basins spread over 26 Districts at a cost of Rs.2820.93 crore benefiting an ayacut of 6.69 lakh hectare and about 5 lakh farmers.

Another project "Tamil Nadu Irrigated Agriculture Modernisation (TNIAMP) Project-IAMWARM II" project is under implementation in the remaining 66 sub-basins of the State covering 29 Districts to benefit an extent of 5.43 lakh hectare over a period of 7 years starting from 2017 with an outlay of Rs.2,962 crore with external assistance from World Bank.