GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1791 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2ND JULY, 2019

WATER HARVESTING PROJECTS UNDER PMKSY

1791. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI: SHRI ARJUN LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to sanction new water harvesting projects under 'Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana';

(b) if so, the time by when it is likely to be sanctioned;

(c) if not, the scheme of the Government to make available water for irrigation to every field in the rainfed irrigation areas; and

(d) whether the Government has any special new water harvesting projects for Sikar and other districts of Rajasthan, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) & (b): The Department of Land Resources (DoLR) has sanctioned 8214 watershed development projects in 28 States (except Goa) during the period 2009-10 to 2014-15 covering an area of about 39.07 million hectare under Integrated Watershed Management Programme (IWMP). IWMP was amalgamated as the Watershed Development Component (WDC) of the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) in 2015-16. The activities being undertaken through the watershed development projects inter alia include ridge area treatment, drainage line treatment, soil and moisture conservation, rain water harvesting, nursery raising, afforestation, horticulture, pasture development, livelihoods for asset less persons, etc.

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The normative period for completion of a projects is 4 to 7 years, i.e. 1 to 2 years for the preparatory phase, 2 to 3 years for the works phase and 1 to 2 years for the consolidation phase.

(c): The Government is implementing PMKSY since July, 2015 with the motto of 'Har Khet Ko Paani' for providing end-to-end solutions in irrigation supply chain, viz. water sources, distribution network and farm level applications.

(d): The Department of Land Resources has sanctioned 33 watershed development projects in Sikar District of Rajasthan during the period 2009-10 to 2014-15 covering an area of about 1.79 lakh hectare at a total cost of Rs.268.47 crore under Integrated Watershed Management Programme (IWMP). Total 1025 projects have been sanctioned in the Rajasthan State covering an area of 57.64 lakh h under IWMP.
