GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI,

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †2111

ANSWERED ON 04.07.2019

NORTH KOYAL RESERVOIR PROJECT

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Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have issued any kind of technical and financial sanctions to complete the work of North Koyal reservoir project, if so, the details of the funds released till date;
- (b) whether any time frame has been set to complete the project;
- (c) whether the work is going on as per the stipulated time, if so, the present status of the project along with the details of the work completed so far and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the manner in which monitoring is being done by the Government to complete the said project on time?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI & SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA)

- (a) The Union Cabinet has approved the proposal for completion of balance works of North Koel Reservoir Project at an estimated cost of Rs. 1622.27 crore. It has been further approved that the common component of balance works amounting to Rs.1013.11 crore would be funded by the Central Government as a grant from Long Term Irrigation Fund (LTIF). The Central Government will also fund 60% of remaining cost of balance works amounting to Rs.365.5 crore pertaining to Bihar and Jharkhand portion from LTIF as grant to the States of Bihar and Jharkhand. The States of Bihar and Jharkhand will arrange 40% of remaining cost of balance works amounting to Rs.243.66 crore as loan from LTIF through NABARD at the rate which is not subsidised and is related to market borrowing cost with no interest subvention. Till date, Central share amounting to Rs.572.38 crore has been released to State Government of Jharkhand for forest related components while Rs. 86.79 crore have been released to WAPCOS for implementation of the project.
- (b) The balance works of the project are scheduled to be completed by March, 2020.
- (c) The overall progress of works on barrage is 75% whereas works on Left Main Canal is 55%. Works on different components of Right Main Canal (RMC) are at various stages of tendering and award.
- (d) An Empowered Committee of Government of India headed by CEO, NITI Aayog has been constituted for monitoring the implementation of the project. Further, Technical Evaluation Committee under the chairmanship of Member (WP&P), Central Water Commission has also been constituted for evaluating the proposals, firming up the quantities for tendering purpose, besides monitoring physical and financial progress and performance of the works.