GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3318 ANSWERED ON 21/03/2023

USE OF SAND EXTRACTED FROM MISSION AMRIT SAROVAR

3318. SHRI A.K.P. CHINRAJ:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the purpose for which the gravel or sand extracted from the Mission Amrit Sarovar can be used; and
- (b) the maximum and minimum depth to which digging can be done under Mission Amrit Sarovar?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

- (a): The Gram Panchayat will decide for the fair disposal of silt (gravel or sand) coming out of Amrit Sarovar construction or renovation site. Also the excess soil excavated from amrit sarovars can be used by the Ministry of Railways, National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) and State Public Works Departments (PWDs) for railway embankments, road works and other infrastructure of their projects/activities.
- (b): Each Amrit Sarovar will have pondage area of about 1 acre with water holding capacity of about 10,000 cubic meters.
