GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI,

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †99

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IRRIGATION SYSTEM IN CHHATTISGARH

†99. SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government is preparing any action plan to make irrigation system more extensive in Chhattisgarh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether proposals have been received from the Government of Chhattisgarh regarding any action plan to properly utilize the irrigation system in rural/remote areas in the State; and
- (d) if so, the details of action taken/proposed to be taken thereon?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI BISHWESWAR TUDU)

(a) & (b) Water being a State subject, it is for the State Government concerned to plan, implement and manage the irrigation projects, and to prepare action plan to make irrigation system more extensive in the State. Role of Government of India is limited to providing technical support, and partial financial assistance for identified projects under the ongoing schemes. Further, for major and medium irrigation projects on inter-State river systems, techno-economic viability is to be appraised by Central Water Commission (CWC) under this Ministry.

In the recent past, partial financial assistance has been given to three irrigation projects from Chhatisgarh under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) – Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP), namely Maniyari tank Kharung and Kelo irrigation projects. While work on Maniyari tank and Kharung projects has been completed, work on Kelo project is in advanced stage. These projects would create ultimate irrigation potential of 22.46 thousand hectare in Chhattisgarh. In addition, under Per Drop More Crop component of PMKSY, an area 116.21 thousand hectare has been covered under micro irrigation during 2016-22. Further, an additional area of 21.25 thousand hectare has been brought under protective irrigation under Watershed Development component of PMKSY during 2016-22 in the State of Chhattisgarh.

(c) & (d) During the last three years, no such proposal has been forwarded by Government of Chhattisgarh to this Ministry.
