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LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1016

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WORKS OF THANNEERMUKKOM BUND

1016. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of development works of Thanneermukkom Bund and Thottappally spillway in the State of Kerala;
- (b) the funds allocated for these projects along with the expected time of completion;
- (c) whether the Government is aware of any delay in the works of these projects;
- (d) if so, the reasons for the delay in completion of work;
- (e) whether it is a fact that these works are included in the Kuttanadu package; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the funds allocated and the time likely to be taken for completion of the development work?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI BISHWESWAR TUDU)

(a) Water being a State subject, planning, implementation and funding of irrigation projects lies in the domain of the State Government concerned. However, partial financial assistance to the identified irrigation projects is being provided by Government of India under its ongoing schemes.

Thanneermukkom bund, as well as Thottappally spillway projects are being funded and implemented by Government of Kerala. The State Government has informed that the mechanical and electrical works of all three stages of the Thanneermukkom barrage have been completed. Further, its civil work is also about 97% complete. However, work of dismantling the coffer dam and ring bund is held up as the matter is sub-judice.

As far as Thottappally spillway is concerned, the State Government has informed that replacement of all 40 of stainless steel shutters has been completed.

(b) to (f) As informed by the State Government, Rs.255.335 crore was allocated by for Thanneermukkom Barrage with estimated time of completion period of 920 days from date of handing over site on 01/07/2014. However, the timeline was subsequently extended upto 30/08/2023, due to delay on account of the matter being sub-judice. Further, for Thottappally spillway, Rs. 13.49 crore were allocated with 12 months estimated time, however the works was completed in July, 2016, with a delay of about 14 months. However, no specific reason has been provided by the State Government for this delay.

The above works were included in Kuttanad package, and funding as well as implementation for the above works are being done by the State Government.
