GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI,

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3921

ANSWERED ON 12.12.2019

WATERSHED DEVELOPMENT COMPONENT OF PMKSY

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Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Watershed Development Component of the 'Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayi Yojana (PMKSY)' has been launched in the districts of Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of proposals in this regard received from the Government of Tamil Nadu which are pending with the Union Government; and
- (c) the time by which the said projects are likely to be completed in the State?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) Department of Land Resources (DoLR) has sanctioned 270 watershed development projects in Tamil Nadu during 2009-10 to 2014-15 covering an area of about 13.68 lakh hectare at a total cost of Rs.1643.91 crore. The erstwhile Integrated Watershed Management Programme (IWMP) was amalgamated in 2015-16 as the Watershed Development Component of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (WDC – PMKSY). As on 30.11.2019, an amount of Rs.924.94 crore has been released to Tamil Nadu as Central Share for implementation of Watershed Development Projects.

The normative period for completion of a project 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. Out of 270 sanctioned projects of Tamil Nadu, 64 projects are in works phase, 94 projects are in consolidation phase and 112 projects are reported to be completed.

The Government is focusing on completion of all on-going projects and therefore, no new projects under PMKSY – WDC are being sanctioned to any State including Tamil Nadu.