GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1394 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11TH FEBRUARY, 2020

LIFT IRRIGATION PROJECTS

1394. SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has received a proposal for lift irrigation projects under the Micro Watershed Scheme from the State Government of Assam;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) the reasons for delay in approving the project; and
- (d) the time by which the project is likely to be approved and the amount is likely to be released to the State Government?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (d): No such proposal has been received.

However, water resources projects are planned, funded, executed and maintained by the State Government themselves as per their own resources and priorities. In order to supplement their efforts, Government of India provides technical and financial assistance to State Governments to encourage sustainable development and efficient management of water resources through various schemes and programmes such as Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) etc. under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY).

During 2016-17, ninety-nine (99) on-going Major/Medium irrigation projects (and their 7 phases) under PMKSY-AIBP have been prioritized for completion in consultation with States. Three projects namely, Dhansiri, Champamati and Borolia of Assam State are covered under this scheme. One project namely Champamati is reported almost complete.

Total Central Assistance (CA) released against these projects of Assam since their inclusion under AIBP is Rs. 438.64 Crore so far. Under these projects, total Irrigation Potential (IP) targeted and created upto March, 2019 are 114.29 thousand ha. and 81.782 thousand ha. respectively.
