GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI, DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †2374 ANSWERED ON 05.03.2020

WATER CRISIS IN HARYANA

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Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any plan to tackle the problem of water crisis in Haryana particularly in Bhiwani, Mahendragarh, Charkhi Dadri and Nuh districts of the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any proposal to link Bhiwani, Mahendragarh, Charkhi Dadri and Nuh districts with any river or any other project; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI & SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA)

(a) & (b) To address the water shortage in Haryana particularly in Bhiwani, Mahendragarh, Charkhi Dadri and Nuh districts, the State Government is working to improve the Western Jamuna Canal (WJC) System to carry its design discharge during monsoon as the capacity of the channel has reduced due to continuous running over the years and the Lift irrigation system by replacing/renovating various pumps, motors etc. for supply of water to southern Haryana. A Mewat Canal Feeder has also been proposed to supply drinking water to Mewat Area. Further, Government of India has launched Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) with an outlay of Rs. 3.60 lakh crore, which aims at providing Functional Household Tap Connections to every rural household by 2024 at the service level of 55 litre per capita per day (Ipcd). Government of India has also launched Jal Shakti Abhiyan (JSA), a campaign for water conservation and water security in 256 water-stressed districts of the country.

(c) & (d) Under National Perspective Plan (NPP), the Yamuna-Rajasthan link project of Himalayan Component will provide an annual irrigation of 0.435 lakh ha in Bhiwani district of Haryana. National Water Development Agency has completed the Pre-Feasibility and draft Feasibility Reports of this link project.