GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2108 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.09.2020

Encroachment of Lakes in Telangana

2108. SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of lakes recognized by the Government in the State of Telangana;
- (b) whether the Government has taken note of any formal complaints/information on lake encroachment in some districts of the State;
- (c) if so, the number of lakes encroached in whole or part during the last five years including the current year;
- (d) whether any of these lakes were encroached as a result of any State Government sanctioned activity in the said duration; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

(a) As per the information provided by the State Government (Irrigation & CAD Department), the number of lakes recognized by the Government in the State of Telangana is 46,531.

(b)&(c) Yes, sir. This Ministry has received two complaints w.r.t. three lakes. Further, as per the information provided by the State Government, a total of 610 nos. of encroachments are identified in water bodies/lakes.

(d) & (e)As per the information provided by the State Government, no lakes were encroached as a result of sanctioned activity by Irrigation Department.
