

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI,
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †3778
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ASSISTANCE TO STATES UNDER AIBP

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Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) the financial assistance provided to States under Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) to complete major and medium irrigation projects during the last three years;
- (b) the total number of schemes included so far under AIBP;
- (c) the number of schemes from Rajasthan that have been included therein;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to include more schemes under this programme in near future; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) Government of India launched Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) in the year 1996-97 to provide Central Assistance to States for the major/medium irrigation projects in the Country, with the objective to accelerate implementation of advanced stage irrigation projects held up due to financial constraints. Further, during the year 2015-16, Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) was launched, and Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) was coopted in it. Subsequently, during 2016-17, ninety-nine (99) on-going Major/Medium irrigation projects (and 7 phases), having ultimate irrigation potential of 76.03 lakh hectare, were prioritized in consultation with States, for funding under PMKSY-AIBP in a mission mode.

Details of Central Assistance (CA) provided to states for prioritised projects under PMKSY-AIBP during last three years are as follows:

Year	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
CA (Rs. in crore)	3593.60	2849.07	1738.76

(b) & (c) Since the launch of AIBP in 1995-96, a total of 297 major and medium irrigation projects have been taken up for financial assistance under it, including the 99 prioritized projects (and 7 phases) taken up in mission mode under PMKSY-AIBP in 2016-17. Out of these, 10 medium and major irrigation projects are from Rajasthan.

(d) & (e) The present scheme of AIBP under PMKSY, which was originally approved till December, 2019, has now been extended till March, 2021. However financial assistance under the same is restricted to only the identified 99 projects (and 7 phases). It does not have provision for inclusion of any new project for funding.
