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MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1761

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NORTH KOEL RESERVOIR PROJECT

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Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any goal to complete the multipurpose North Koel Reservoir Project of Bihar and Jharkhand and if so, the details thereof along with the funds released so far in this regard;
- (b) the current status of North Koel Reservoir Project and the details of the work completed so far;
- (c) whether the work is being done as per the set deadline;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the manner in which the Government is monitoring the said project to complete on time?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI RAJ BHUSHAN CHOUDHARY)

(a) to (d) The Union Government, in October, 2023, approved the proposal to complete the balance works of North Koel Reservoir Project at a revised Cost of Rs 2430.76 Crore (Central Share: Rs 1,836.41 Crore). An amount of Rs 771.04 Crore, as Central Share, has been released till date.

There is 10% progress on Dam & Appurtenant works, 100% on Barrage; 86% on Left Main Canal, 22% on Right Main Canal (Jharkhand portion) and 15% on Right Main Canal (Bihar Portion).

The target date for completing the balance works of the project is March 2026 as per the timeline set during approval of the project in October, 2023.

(e) An Empowered Committee headed by Secretary, Department of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation and a Technical Evaluation Committee headed by Member (WP&P), Central Water Commission and having members from Department of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation, both the State Governments of Bihar and Jharkhand and Water & Power Consultancy Services(India) Ltd. have been monitoring the progress of implementation of the balance works of the project.
