

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. *61

ANSWERED ON 04.12.2025

DIMBHE DAM CANAL PROJECT

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Will the Minister of **JAL SHAKTI** be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of the pending irrigation projects including the Dimbhe Dam Canal Project and the progress of its various phases in Shirur Lok Sabha Constituency;
- (b) the details of total financial allocation made and the actual expenditure incurred for these projects during the last five years along with a detailed report on the funds released by the Union Government;
- (c) the timeline for the completion of these projects and the measures being taken to overcome administrative and technical delays, if any; and
- (d) the long-term plan to address the perennial water scarcity issue in the drought-prone areas of the said constituency and in the State of Maharashtra including the steps taken for promotion of micro-irrigation and water conservation techniques?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI C R PAATIL)

(a) to (d) : A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. *61 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.12.2025 IN LOK SABHA REGARDING “DIMBHE DAM CANAL PROJECT”

(a) Water, being a State subject, it is for the State Government concerned to plan, execute, operate and manage the irrigation projects. Role of Government of India is to provide technical support, and partial financial assistance for identified projects under the ongoing schemes. Further, for major and medium irrigation projects on inter- State river systems, techno-economic viability is to be appraised by Central Water Commission (CWC) under this Ministry.

Government of Maharashtra has informed that there are three irrigation projects - namely Kukadi Project, Chilhewadi Medium Irrigation Project and Chaskaman Project being implement in Shirur Lok Sabha constituency.

1. Kukadi Project: Kukadi Project is a composite project of five dams namely Dimbhe dam, Yedgaon dam, Manikdoh dam, Wadaj dam & PimpalgaonJoge dam and their canal network. Main Canal works of all these dams are completed. Balance works in distribution system are in advance stage of implementation.

Dimbhe dam and its left bank canal has been reported as complete. Works on right bank canal of this dam has been completed up to 102 km, out of 116 km.

2. Chilhewadi Medium Irrigation Project: Main canal pipeline from Chainage 0 up to chainage 28/263 is completed. The work from Chainage 28/263 to 39/080 is balance.
3. Chaskaman Project: Dam, canal earthworks and structures on canal have been completed. Out of 144 km of left bank canal length, lining of 16 km length have been reported as complete.

(b) Central assistance of Rs. 270 crore and Rs. 95.38 crore have been provided to Kukadi Project and Chaskaman projects during 2002-03 to 2008-09. Presently these projects are being implemented by State through their own resources. The Budget and expenditure made in respect of three projects for last five years are as tabulated below.

Name of the Project	Budget (in Rs. crore)	Expenditure (in Rs. crore)
Kukadi Project	757.55	757.55
Chilhewadi Medium Irrigation Project	41.27	41.27
Chaskaman Project	114.98	14.19

(c) Government of Maharashtra has intimated likely date for completion of projects as follows:

Name of the Project	Likely date of completion
Kukadi Project	March'2028
Chilhewadi Medium Irrigation Project	June'2026
Chaskaman Project	June'2029

(d) To address the issue of development of irrigation in drought prone areas in the country, special provisions have been made in the criteria for selection of projects and central funding ratio under Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme of PMKSY. If a project has more than 50% command in drought prone area, 50% advance stage criteria has been relaxed and the project can be included since beginning of the construction with enhanced funding ratio of 60 (Centre): 40 (State), in the proportion of command area falling in drought prone area.

63 major and medium irrigation projects benefitting draught prone areas have been included under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojna-Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme, out of which 16 projects are benefitting drought prone areas of Maharashtra. 16.40 lakh hectare irrigation potential has been created in project benefitting drought prone areas in India since 2016, out of them 3.10 lakh hectare is in Maharashtra.

Further, Government of India has approved, in 2018, a Special Package for Irrigation Projects in Maharashtra to complete 83 Surface Minor Irrigation (SMI) projects and 8 Major/Medium Irrigation Projects in drought prone districts in Vidarbha and Marathwada and rest of Maharashtra. 67 SMI and 3 MMI has been completed and 2.16 lakh hectare irrigation potential has been created under this scheme.

Details of projects under PMKSY-AIBP and Maharashtra Package benefitting drought prone areas of Maharashtra is placed as **Annexure**.

In addition, Per Drop More Crop scheme being implemented by Department of Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare is dedicated for micro irrigation development in country. An area of 106.75 lakh hectare has been covered under micro irrigation since 2015-16, out of them 11.83 lakh hectare is in State of Maharashtra.

Central Ground Water Board (CGWB) under this Ministry has completed the National Aquifer Mapping (NAQUIM) Project in the entire mappable area of about 25 Lakh sq. km. The Aquifer maps and management plans have been prepared and shared with the respective State agencies for implementation. The management plans include various water conservation measures through demand side and supply side interventions.

Further, "Jal Shakti Abhiyan", "Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari" are initiatives launched by this Ministry with Jan Bhagidari in water conservation for united action from all stakeholders, including government bodies, industries, local authorities, philanthropists, resident welfare associations (RWAs) and individuals.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *61 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.12.2025 REGARDING “DIMBHE DAM CANAL PROJECT”

Details of projects under PMKSY-AIBP and Maharashtra Package benefitting drought prone areas of Maharashtra

A. PMKSY-AIBP				
<i>Rs. in crore</i>				
Sl.No.	Project Name	District Benefited	Central Assistance released (2016-25)	Remarks
1	Lower Panzara Project	Dhule	18.62	Completed
2	Dongargaon Project	Chandrapur (V)	5.88	Completed
3	NandurMadhmeshwar Ph-II Project	Aurangabad (M)	17.24	Completed
4	Upper Kundalika Project	Beed (M)	10.92	Completed
5	Khadakpurna Project	Buldhana (V)	40.16	Completed
6	Dhom Balaakwadi Project	Pune / Satara	51.06	Completed
7	Krishna Koyana Lift Irrigation Project	Solapur, Sangli	303.86	Completed
8	Tarali Project	Satara	72.06	Completed
9	Sangola Branch Canal Project	Solapur,	32.43	Completed
10	Bembla Project	Yavatmal (V)	307.17	Completed
11	Upper Pen Ganga Project	Yavatmal (V), (Nanded(M), Hingoli	207.27	Completed
12	Waghur Project	Jalgaon	195.02	Ongoing
13	Lower Pedhi Project	Amravati (V), Akola (V)	19.56	Ongoing
14	Gosikhurd Project	Nagpur(V), Bhandara(V), Chandrapur(V)	893.34	Ongoing
15	JiheKathapur Project	Satara	207.75	Ongoing
16	BodwadParisarSinchan yojana Stage-I	Jalgaon, Buldhana	0.00	Ongoing
Total			2382.34	

B. Maharashtra Package (MMI)				
<i>Rs. in crore</i>				
Sl.No.	Project Name	District Benefited	Central Assistance released (2018-25)	Remarks
1	Tembhu LIS	Satara, Sangli, Solapur	297.16	Completed
2	Shelgaon Barrage Medium Project	Jalgaon	135.26	Completed
3	Ghungshi Barrage LIS	Akola (V)	37.72	Completed
4	Urmodi Project	Satara	38.25	Ongoing
5	SulwadeJamphalKanoli L.I. Scheme	Dhule	464.15	Ongoing

6	Purna Barrage No.2 (Nerdhamana)	Akola (V)	16.55	Ongoing
7	Jigaon Project	Buldhana (V), Akola (V)	1176.05	Ongoing
8	Warkhed Londhe Project	Jalgaon	88.79	Ongoing
Total			2253.93	

C. Maharashtra Package (SMI)				
<i>Rs. in crore</i>				
Sl.No.	Region	District Benefited	CA released (2018-25)	Remarks
1	Vidarbha (66)	Amravati (18), Akola (7), Washim(18), Yavatmal (14), Buldhana (8), Wardha (1)	656.04	58 completed
2	Marathwada (17)	Auranghabad (5), Jalna (6), Nanded (2), Latur (3), Beed (1)	114	9 completed
Total			770.04	

Note: V: Vidarbha, M: Marathwada
