

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

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3337

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IRRIGATION FACILITIES IN ROBERTSGANJ

†3337. SHRI CHHOTELAL:

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

- (a) whether the farmers in the Robertsganj Lok Sabha Constituency of Sonbhadra continue to face hardships due to the lack of irrigation facilities, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the timeline by which water from the Bansagar Dam Project is likely to be released into the Ahraura Dam and subsequently diverted towards the Bhoka Katibandh?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI RAJ BHUSHAN CHOUDHARY)

(a) Water being a State subject, it is for the State Government concerned to plan, implement, operate and manage the irrigation projects, and to prepare action plan to make irrigation system more extensive in the State. Role of Government of India is limited to providing technical support, and partial financial assistance for identified projects under the ongoing schemes.

Government of Uttar Pradesh has informed that five (05) dams and 158 bunds have been constructed for irrigation in the Robertsganj parliamentary constituency, through which canal network comprising 419 canals having total length of 1580.26 km have been developed and sufficient water is being supplied for irrigation.

(b) Government of Uttar Pradesh has further informed that the Ahraura Reservoir is located in Mirzapur district. Canals originating from this reservoir irrigate Mirzapur and Chandauli districts of Uttar Pradesh.

Water from the Bansagar Dam is supplied to the Jargaon Reservoir through Meja-Jargaon Link Channel. By increasing the capacity of the Jargaon feeder canal in the Bansagar Project, additional water is being supplied to the Mughalsarai Rajwaha, Bhagwat Rajwaha, and Belhar Rajwaha, which are part of the Ahraura Dam's canal system.

The Bhoka Bandhi is located in the Bhoka tehsil of Chandauli district, and canals originating from it has an irrigation capacity of 2033 hectares.

There is no provision for supplying water from the Ahraura Dam to the Bhoka Bandhi.
