

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

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4508**

ANSWERED ON 19.03.2026

**NEW WATER PROJECT IN BARAN DISTRICT**

4508. **SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH:**

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to undertake a new water project in Shahabad region of Baran district;
- (b) if so, the details and the present status thereof along with the key specifications of the proposed micro-dams including their design, capacity and projected benefits;
- (c) the number of villages likely to be benefitted from the said project; and
- (d) whether any sedimentation has been reported in the river after completion of the existing irrigation project and if so, the details thereof along with the agency responsible for dredging and maintenance of the river?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI**

(SHRI RAJ BHUSHAN CHOUDHARY)

**(a) to (c)** Water being a State subject, it is for the concerned State Government to plan, implement, operate and manage the water resources projects. Role of Government of India is limited to providing 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 are appraised by Central Water Commission (CWC) under this Ministry.

As per Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) of the Modified Parbati-Kalisindh-Chambal (MPKC) Link Project, developing command in Kuno sub-basin by implementing cluster of nine (09) Micro Irrigation Schemes is one of the identified group of projects benefitting the State of Rajasthan. Shahbad area of Baran district lies in Kuno sub-basin.

Government of Rajasthan has informed that out of nine (09) schemes, four (04) schemes are on the Karai River, four (04) schemes are on the Kunnu River and one (01) on the Tilpasi River. These schemes envisage to irrigate 7,000 hectare area benefitting 49 villages of Shahbad Tehsil of Baran district.

The Detailed Project Report (DPR) of MPKC has been submitted to Central Water Commission through the e-PAMS portal for techno-economic appraisal.

**(d)** Erosion & deposition are natural geomorphic processes which happens in all alluvial reaches of rivers. Any intervention in a river disrupts its existing equilibrium; however, it naturally attains a new regime over time.

In this regard, a National Framework for Sediment Management (NFSM) has been published in October, 2022 by this Ministry. It emphasizes on reducing silt generation and promotes technological innovations and best practices. Further, it provides overall guidance to States/UTs on various aspects of sediment management, handling issues of sediment management in integrated & scientific manner and use of different approaches of sediment management in a river basin.

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