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MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6213

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FUNDS FOR CANAL MODERNISATION AND PIPELINE PROJECT IN PUNJAB

6213. Dr. RAJ KUMAR CHABBEWAL:

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

- (a) the details of the total amount of funds allocated under Central schemes including the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) and other irrigation support to Punjab for canal modernisation and pipeline projects during the last three years, year-wise;
- (b) the status of release of pending Central funds against approved project proposals submitted by the State Government of Punjab;
- (c) whether the Union Government is working on any comprehensive strategy to modernise all canals and pipeline projects across the country, particularly in Punjab, in a time-bound manner; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI RAJ BHUSHAN CHOUDHARY)

(a) & (b) Details of central assistance provided to the State of Punjab under various schemes of Ministry for irrigation support and extension, renovation and modernisation of canal network during last three years are given below.

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	Central Assistance Provided (Rs. Crore)		
		2023-24	2024-25	2025-26 (Mother sanction)
1.	Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojna-Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme	233.45	137.64	133.72
2.	Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojna-Command Area Development & Water Management	55	20	15
3.	Modernization of Command Area Development Scheme (MCAD)	-	-	1.374

Central assistance is provided as per scheme guidelines on the basis of progress made under the project. Presently, no eligible proposal of Punjab for release of central assistance under aforesaid schemes is pending with the Ministry.

(c) & (d) Water being a State subject, it is for the State Government concerned to plan, execute, operate and maintain the irrigation projects, including modernisation of canals and piped distribution irrigation networks. Government of India provides technical support, and partial financial assistance for identified projects under the ongoing schemes.

Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) component of PMKSY is dedicated to creation, restoration and stabilization of irrigation potential in the country through major and medium irrigation projects. Extension, renovation and modernization of irrigation projects are also undertaken under PMKSY-AIBP.

Ten (10) Extension, Renovation and Modernisation (ERM) projects have been undertaken since 2016-17 under PMKSY-AIBP. State/Union Territory wise details are given below.

Sl. No	State/Union Territory	Name of Project	Irrigation potential created/stabilised (Thousand hectare)
1	Chhattisgarh	Maniyari ERM Irrigation Project	14.52
2		Kharung ERM Project	10.30
3	Jammu & Kashmir	Restoration & Modernisation of Main Ravi Canal	50.75
4	Karnataka	NLBC System Project	105
5	Punjab	Rehabilitation of Ist Patiala Feeder and Kotla Branch Project	91.99
6		Relining of Rajasthan Feeder	82.37
7		Relining of Sirhind Feeder	69.09
8	Rajasthan	Modernisation of Gang Canal	69.69
9	Assam	ERM of Sukla Irrigation Project	3.20
10	Manipur	ERM of Loktak Irrigation Project	15.21
