GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 460 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.02.2016

Kuttanad Drinking Water Project

460. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a request/proposal for setting up a project for drinking water for Kuttanad has been received from the State of Kerala for providing drinking water to all the households of Kuttanad Region; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon?

ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE FOR DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a) and (b) Yes Sir, this Ministry had received a request / proposal for setting up a project for drinking water for Kuttanad from the State of Kerala for providing drinking water to all the households of Kuttanad Region through financial assistance from Japan International Cooperation Agency(JICA). The State had submitted Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) for the project, however the approval for the same had not been accorded by JICA. A meeting was also convened at Thiruvananthapuram on 15.05.2015 regarding the same in which it was concluded to explore other options like World Bank or National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) for funding the project. The revised DPRs for the same is still awaited from the State Govt. of Kerala.