

for qualitative and quantitative sediment assessment for rivers. Further during the meeting it was decided to undertake another joint visit by India and Bhutan Expert Teams to landslide dam (Tsatichu) site in 2008. In the meeting it was also recommended that the JGE should meet twice a year.

Indira Lift Irrigation Project

3008. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL :

SHRI DARA SINGH:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether a proposal for Indira Lift Irrigation Project from the State Government of Rajasthan is pending with Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) the time by which the project is likely to be approved by Government; and

(d) how many such proposals of lift irrigation of Orissa, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat and Uttar Pradesh are pending?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VINCENT PALA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) On the project proposal of Indira Lift Irrigation Project of Rajasthan, comments of the central appraising agencies on Canal design, cost, Irrigation Planning, Inter-State matters, Financial and Hydrology aspects were sent to the State Government during March, 2004 to April, 2006. The compliance of the State Government is awaited.

(c) The time taken for completion of appraisal process of the project depends on submission of satisfactory compliance to the observations of the Central Appraising Agencies (CAA) and production of environmental and forest clearance from Ministry of Environment and Forest by the State Government.

(d) Umarhut Pump canal Phase-II project of Uttar Pradesh is under appraisal with CAA awaiting compliances of the State Government on observations of CAA. Increasing capacity of Bhupali Canal project of Uttar Pradesh had been accepted by the Advisory Committee of the Ministry of Water Resources on Irrigation, Flood Control and Multipurpose projects in its 79th meeting held on 24.5.2002 subject to compliance of observations of CAA by the State Government. No lift irrigation project of Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat and Orissa is pending for appraisal with CAA.

Irrigation Infrastructure

3009. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any mapping of water-resources in Rajasthan has been undertaken to ascertain existing irrigation infrastructure *vis-a-vis* the demand of farmers;

(b) if so, salient findings thereof;