(₹ in crore)

Components	Funds Released	
	2015-16	2016-17
Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AlBP)	307.81	361.33
Har Khet Ko Pani (HKKP) CADWM	4.78	15.17
Per Drop More Crop	107.26	305.8
Watershed Development	250.00	186.95

Micro irrigation facilities under PMKSY

†2057. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has provided micro irrigation facility on 12.7 lakh hectare land during the last two years under the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana;
- (b) if so, the steps being taken by Government regarding 60-70 year old irrigation projects which need to be modernized at the earliest; and
- (c) whether Government would provide financial assistance to State Governments for the expansion and modernization of important irrigation schemes like Kosi Canal Irrigation Scheme and Sone Canal Irrigation Schemes, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN): (a) As per information provided by the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, an area of about 11.85 lakh hectare has been covered under micro irrigation during last year and current year (up to 15.03.2017) under Per Drop More Crop component of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY).

(b) and (c) Water resources projects are planned, funded, executed and maintained by the State Governments themselves as per their own resources and priority. In order to supplement their efforts, Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation (MoWR, RD & GR) provides financial assistance to State Governments to encourage sustainable development and efficient management of water resources through various schemes such as Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) etc. under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY).

[†]Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Many old irrigation projects were considered under AIBP for Extension, Modernization and Renovation (ERM). Till date 20 ERM projects have been completed under AIBP including restoration of Kosi Barrage and its appurtenant works and Sone Modernization project of Bihar. Further, Ninety Nine (99) ongoing Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) projects (along with phases) including 5 ERM projects having irrigation potential of 76.03 lakh ha. have been identified for completion in phases up to December, 2019 in consultation with States. For completion of these projects in a mission mode, funding mechanism through NABARD has been approved by the Government for both Central as well as States shares.

Proposal for channelising river Pabbar in H.P.

2058. SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has received a proposal for ₹ 190 crore from the Himachal Pradesh Government regarding channelising river Pabbar at Rohru in Shimla District of Himachal Pradesh;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the matter is pending for sanction before the Ministry for long; and
- (c) if so, the status of the proposal and when the required amount will be released for commencement of the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN): (a) A report on "Channelisation of River Pabbar from Tikkari to Hatkoti, Tehsil Rohru, Distt. Shimla, Himachal Pradesh (Estimated cost ₹ 190.82 crore)" was received in Ganga Flood Control Commission (GFCC), Patna for appraisal on 13.11.2014.

(b) and (c) The scheme was techno-economically cleared by GFCC in February 2015 for ₹190.82 crore. Further, it was cleared by Advisory Committee of MoWR, RD & GR during its 125th meeting held on 25.05.2015 in New Delhi. During the Investment Clearance Committee meeting held on 10.02.2017 the scheme was discussed and decided that project cost shall be updated to current price level and project shall be resubmitted for investment clearance by State Government.

Status of SAUNI project

2059. SHRI DILIPBHAI PANDYA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state: