

Rejuvenation of tanneries from Kanpur

2866. SHRI K.T. S. TULSI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has identified land for the purpose of shifting tanneries in Kanpur which, as Government records, contribute largely to pollution by discharge of their industrial effluents; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, by when Government will be in a position to relocate these tanneries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION (SHRI VIJAY GOEL): (a) and (b) Presently there is no such proposal under consideration.

Scheme for farmers under PMKSY

†2867. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has decided to run a number of remunerative schemes for the farmers under the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of benefits that are going to accrue to big and small farmers from this scheme; and

(d) the plan formulated by Government to extend the benefits of this scheme to the farmers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN): (a), (b) and (d) Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) was launched during the year 2015-16, with an aim to enhance physical access of water on farm and expand cultivable area under assured irrigation, improve on farm water use efficiency, introduce sustainable water conservation practices, etc. It comprises of various components such as Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP), Har Khet Ko Pani (HKKP), Per Drop More Crop and Watershed development. State level planning and execution of the scheme is carried out on the basis of District Irrigation Plans (DIPs) and State Irrigation Plans (SIPs).

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Under PMKSY-AIBP, Ninety Nine (99) ongoing irrigation projects along with their Command Area Development and Water Management (CADWM) works have been identified in consultation with the States for completion in phases up to December, 2019. For completion of these projects in a mission mode funding mechanism through NABARD has been approved by the Government for both Central and State share.

(c) Benefits envisaged during the period 2015-16 to 2019-20 under various components of PMKSY are given below:—

Components		Utilization/coverage
Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP)		76.03 Lakh Ha.*
HKKP	RRR, SMI, GW	6.0 Lakh Ha.
	CADWM	15.0 Lakh Ha. *
Per Drop More Crop		10.0 Million Ha.
Watershed Development		11.5 Lakh Ha

* During 2016-17, Ninety Nine (99) Major/Medium Irrigation Projects having irrigation potential of 76.03 Lakh ha. have been identified for completion in phases by Dec., 2019 including their command area development work. Thus CADWM targets have been merged with AIBP.

Arsenic contamination in Ganga-Brahmaputra plains

2868. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has prepared an action plan to meet the challenges posed by Arsenic contamination in groundwater in Ganga-Brahmaputra fluvial plains;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) how Government proposes to deal with this gigantic task and the precautionary measures planned to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN):

(a) to (c) Central Ground Water Board in the ensuing National Aquifer Mapping Programme has constructed several exploratory and observation wells in the country tapping the arsenic safe deeper aquifer zones delineated through exploration aided detailed aquifer mapping. Successful wells have been handed over to the State Governments for their purposeful utilization.