

**MEGA irrigation projects under construction in Jharkhand**

†88. SHRI NARAYAN RANE: Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

(a) the details of mega irrigation projects under construction in Jharkhand, place-wise;

(b) whether these projects have been delayed, if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government has made an effort to provide more funds at Central level for completion of said projects on time; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI (SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA): (a) to (d) Water resources projects are planned, funded, executed and maintained by the State Governments themselves as per their own resources and priorities. In order to supplement the efforts of the State Governments, Government of India provides technical and financial assistance to encourage sustainable development and efficient management of water resources through various schemes and programmes such as Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) etc. under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) as per the guidelines of such schemes.

Subarnarekha Multipurpose project benefitting East and West Singhbhum and Saraikela Kharsawan districts of Jharkhand State is one of the 99 prioritized projects of the country under PMKSY-AIBP. Total Central Assistance (CA) of ₹ 1889.61 cr. (including ₹305.88 cr. during 2018-19) has been provided for this project since it was included under AIBP. Additionally, State has also availed ₹ 518 cr. as State Share under Long Term Irrigation Fund from NABARD during 2016-2019. The delay in completion of this project is mainly due to slow progress in Land Acquisition and Rehabilitation and Resettlement.

Further, Government of India has approved a sum of ₹1622.27 crore for completion of balance works of North Koel Reservoir Project benefitting Palamau and Garhwa districts of Jharkhand, out of which ₹1378.61 crore is to be borne by

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the Central Government. This project was started in 1972. However, it could not progress further after 1993 due to objections raised by the Forest Department. In October, 2019, Forest Department, Government of Jharkhand has granted clearance to the project. Total CA of ₹ 659.70 cr. has been released/ sanctioned for this project till Dec, 2019.

### **Providing drinking water to all**

†89. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of policy and programme for providing drinking water to all; and
- (b) measures taken for its supply and the estimate of financial resource required in its implementation and the target in the coming five years, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI (SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA): (a) Government of India, in partnership with the States/UTs, has launched Jal Jeevan Mission which aims at providing potable water to every rural household through Functional Household Tap Connection (FHTC) at the service level of 55 litre per capita per day (Ipcd) by 2024.

(b) Rural drinking water supply being a State subject, Government of India supplements the efforts of States/ UTs by providing them with financial and technical assistance.

After the launch of JJM, a conference of Minister in-charge of rural water supply of various States was held in New Delhi, followed by five regional workshops to discuss the modalities of the implementation of the Mission. Moreover, in consultation with State Governments and other stakeholders in water sector, Operational Guidelines for the implementation of the Mission has been released on 25.12.2019.

A budgetary allocation of ₹ 10,000.66 crore has been made for JJM for the financial year 2019-20 and as on 29.01.2020, an amount of ₹ 6,433.61 crore has been released to the States/ UTs.

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