GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI, DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA

REJUVENATION

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BANSAGAR IRRIGATION SCHEME

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Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether through the Bansagar Irrigation Scheme, a number of villages have put forward a proposal to be irrigated under the Sooti (Loni Dam) irrigation scheme under the Tyothar flow scheme of Rewa in Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) if so then in addition to the command area, how many hectares have been added for additional irrigation; and
- (c) the details of the total cost of the above scheme and the construction work done so far, and the time by which it will be completed?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI (SHRI BISHWESWAR TUDU)

(a) Water resources projects are planned, funded, executed, and maintained by the State Governments themselves as per their own resources and priorities. Role of Government of India is limited to providing technical support and, in some cases, partial financial assistance under the existing schemes implemented by the Ministry of Jal Shakti. However, for major and medium inter-state irrigation projects, appraisal is being undertaken by Central Water Commission under this Ministry.

No reference regarding Bansagar Irrigation Scheme is being dealt with, or pending in this Ministry.

Government of Madhya Pradesh has informed that through the Bansagar Lift Irrigation scheme, Teonthar Flow Canal Scheme is under construction. It is proposed to feed the Sooti (Loni dam) by Teonthar Flow Canal and extend the existing canal system of Loni dam to irrigate additional four villages in the command of Loni dam. Further, a new Loni Micro Scheme has also been proposed to lift the water from Loni reservoir and irrigate 18 villages. Sooti (Loni Dam) Irrigation Scheme is presently under implementation, envisaging irrigation to 22 villages. 4 of these 22 villages are to be provided irrigation from Loni dam under Bansagar Irrigation Scheme, while the balance 18 villages shall be provided irrigation by lift from Loni reservoir through the proposed Loni Micro Scheme.

- (b) As per information provided by the State Government, present command area of Loni dam is 810 hectare. It is proposed to irrigate an additional 1,000 hectare by extension of canal system of Loni dam. Further, 2,860 hectare irrigation is envisaged from the proposed Loni Micro Scheme.
- (c) Government of Madhya Pradesh has informed that the estimated cost of the project is Rs. 43.55 crore, with cost of extension of canals of Loni dam estimated at Rs. 4.5 crore, and the balance Rs. 39.05 crore being the estimated cost for Loni Micro Scheme. Construction of the feeder canal to Loni dam, i.e., Teonthar Canal is under progress, while the work for extension of canal of Loni Dam is yet to start. Further, proposal for construction of Loni Micro Scheme is presently in the process of administrative approval, subsequent to which the timelines for the proposed works can be fixed.

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