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Title: Regarding approval of pending irrigation projects in the State of Maharashtra.

SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR (MUMBAI NORTH- WEST): Thank you, Speaker Sir, for giving me this opportunity.

I would like to raise the issue of acute drinking water scarcity in my State of Maharashtra. The State of Maharashtra is facing the problem of water scarcity because of scams in the irrigation department committed by the previous Government. The present Government prepared a proposal of Rs. 6,496 crore to develop 21 irrigation projects in the State. This proposal is pending with the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change for the forest clearance. The Government of Maharashtra has allocated Rs. 1,332 crore but it is lying unutilised for the want of environmental clearance. It is also meant for developing six other irrigation projects. Therefore, I request the Government of India to convey its approval to this project at the earliest. Thank you.

माननीय अध्यक्ष : कुँवर पुष्पेन्द्र सिंह चन्देल को श्री गजानन कीर्तिकर द्वारा उठाए गए विषय के साथ संबद्ध करने की अनुमति प्रदान की जाती है ।