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DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA

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JAL SHAKTI ABHIYAN-II

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Will the Minister of **JAL SHAKTI** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of funds sanctioned and released under Jal Shakti Abhiyan-II for rain water harvesting in Uttar Pradesh for the pre and post monsoon season during the current financial year;
- (b) whether the Government has any other scheme for conservation of rain water in water stressed districts of the country; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI BISHWESWAR TUDU)

(a) Jal Shakti Abhiyan (JSA) campaign was launched in the year 2019 in 256 water stressed districts of the country which has later been implemented across the country annually including Uttar Pradesh as “Jal Shakti Abhiyan: Catch the Rain” (JSA: CTR) campaign since 2021. The fourth in the series, JSA: CTR 2023 has been launched on 04.03.2023 for implementation in all rural and urban areas of all districts across the country including Uttar Pradesh during 04.03.2023 to 30.11.2023. JSA:CTR is the convergence of various Central and States’ Schemes. Department of Rural Development has reported that 22,408 water conservation and rainwater harvesting works have been completed and 9,166 works are ongoing under JSA:CTR 2023 and total expenditure of Rs. 537.19 crore has incurred as on 31.07.2023 (Abhiyan period 04.03.2023 to 30.11.2023) in Uttar Pradesh under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS).

(b) & (c) Water is a State subject and the Central Government supplements the efforts of the States through technical and financial support. However, Government of India implements various schemes/campaigns/policy in the country including water-stressed districts, which *inter-alia*, include rainwater conservation. Major Central Government’s Schemes are Atal Bhujal Yojana (Atal Jal), Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation 2.0 (AMRUT 2.0), Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) etc. Other initiatives are Jal Shakti Abhiyan: Catch the Rain (JSA: CTR) 2023 with special focus on 150 water stressed districts, Mission Amrit Sarovar, National Water Policy, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs’ Guidelines, Ministry of Panchayati Raj directives, Central Ground Water Authority Regulations etc.
