

Re: Grant of funds and national status to Palamuru Rangareddy Lift Irrigation Scheme - laid

SHRI B.B. PATIL (ZAHIRABAD): I want to draw the attention towards the Telangana State's irrigation projects, particularly Palamuru Rangareddy Lift Irrigation Scheme. It is essential to draw attention towards this issue and demand that it be addressed promptly. PRLIS project is a ray of hope for the drought-prone areas of Nagarkurnool, Mahabubnagar, Vikarabad, Narayanpet, Rangareddy, and Nalgonda districts. It aims to provide water for over 12.5 lakh acres and fulfil drinking water needs of many villages, Hyderabad and industries. The project has the potential to transform lives and reduce struggles caused by water scarcity, but the Government of India is completely neglecting Telangana's irrigation projects providing no support or funds. Obstacles are being created in granting permissions and also being refused to grant National status to projects. Meanwhile, projects in other states are receiving funding, permissions as well as national status. I want to ask how fair is it that the Union government has refused to grant national status to the PRLIS while readily granted national status to the Upper Bhadra irrigation project in Karnataka. I request the Government to provide the required funds and national status to PRLIS which is one of the most significant projects of Telangana.