

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

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ASSISTANCE TO STATES FOR IRRIGATION PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government have approved any proposal to provide cent per cent loan for irrigation projects in States; and
- (b) if so, the amount of loan the Government have decided to provide for irrigation projects of the States?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) & (b) The Union Government has now included a component of Fast Track Projects under the existing Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme for completion of such approved major and medium irrigation projects is one year (two working seasons) only. These projects will be fully funded by the Centre by providing 100% loan for works component. The Ministry of Water Resources has sought an amount of Rs. 500.00 crore during the current financial year under this programme.