

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6877
ANSWERED ON:13.05.2002
LEAKAGE OF WATER IN CANALS
PUTTASWAMY GOWDA;RUDRAGOUDA PATIL

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a survey conducted by the Government of Karnataka has revealed leakage of water to the extent of 15 tmcft to 18 tmcft in 37 main canals and distributaries of major and medium irrigation projects;
- (b) if so, whether the State Government is making efforts on a war footing to plug the leaks;
- (c) if so, whether the Government of Karnataka has requested to the Union Government for financial assistance in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the response of the Government thereto ?

Answer

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

- (a) As per the information received from State Government of Karnataka, leakage of 26 TMC of water was observed in 57 main canals along their distributaries and Field Irrigation Channels (FIC) covered under 19 irrigation projects, considering the release of water for a period of 180 days.
- (b) The State Government has reported that they are taking steps like Lining of canals, Grouting, Repairs of sluices & regulators & Remedial measures suggested by experts from time to time to plug leakages.
- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise.