GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3092 ANSWERED ON:10.12.2002 UTILISATION OF FUNDS UNDER IWDP IN KARNATAKA IQBAL AHMED SARADGI

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government have released Rs 157.68 lakh to Karnataka as theadditional Central assistance to meet the rural drinking water requirement and also released Rs 49 lakh under the Integrated Wasteland Development Programmeto Gadag district of Karnataka for the year 2002-2003;
- (b) whether the State Government has to utilize these funds to retrieve 1859 existing borewell;
- (c) if so, whether any time bound programme has been fixed for the State to utilize these funds;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the progress made there under so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M.K. PATIL)

(a) to (e) The Department of Drinking water supply, Ministry of Rural Development, has released an amount of Rs 157.68 lakh (Rs. One Crore Fifty Seven lakh and sixtyeight thousand only) to the Government of Karnataka towards additional Centralassistance under Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP) to meet the ruratrinking water supply requirement arising due to drought situation in the State during 2002-03. However, no fund has been released to Gadag district of the Karnataka under Integrated Wasteland Development Programme. The funds released as above should be utilised for retrieval of 1856 existing bore wells on priority basis by the State Government in the drought affected talukas of the State.