GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WATER RESOURCES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5426 ANSWERED ON:02.05.2005 CONSTRUCTION OF DAM ON UJH RIVER Singh Chaudhary Lal

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted any survey for construction of dams for power generation in Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Director of Planning and Design wing of PWD in consultation with CBI&P-GOI has submitted any project report to Union Government for construction of Dam on UJH river; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government for construction of Dam?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES(SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) & (b) Government of Jammu & Kashmir has informed that it envisages construction of dams for power generation wherever such dams are technically feasible and are allowed to be constructed within the purview of Indus Waters Treaty and as of now, following projects are envisaged for construction with dam type storage:

Sawalakot project 190 m high RCC Dam Ujh Stage-I 120 m high Rockfill Dam Shitkari Kulan 76 m high Rockfill Dam

(c) & (d) Central Board of Irrigation & Power (CBI&P) have informed they have no information. However, Water & Power Consultancy Services

(India) Ltd. have informed of having prepared Pre-feasibility Report for 280 MW Ujh H.E. Project, based on topo-sheet study, at the instance of Central Electricity Authority. Based on the information received from Government of J&K, the scheme for construction of Ujh Dam was prepared by Planning & Design Wing of J&K PWD in 1966 and the Detailed Project Report was submitted by the Design Directorate of J&K to Central Water Commission in 1966. According to the State Government, the above scheme could not be taken up due to effect of high silt content in the river on storage facility and with advanced technology now available to combat such problem, steps have been taken to engage reputed consultant/agency for preparation of survey plans and updation of detailed project report. It has also since been informed by the Government of J&K that a preliminary report in respect of Ujh Storage Project has been submitted to Central Water Commission for consent to formulate a detailed project report.