GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WATER RESOURCES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3712 ANSWERED ON:19.12.2005 DEPLETION OF WATER LEVEL IN JHARKHAND Mahto Shri Tek Lal

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether water level in coal mining areas of Jharkhand has gone down due to mining activities;
- (b) if so, the action taken by the Government to prevent further depletion of water level; and
- (c) the details of amount spent to recharge water level during the last three years?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES, PUBLIC ENTERPRISES AND WATER RESOURCES (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV)

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Under the Central Sector Scheme for "Study of Recharge to Ground Water", an amount of Rs. 5.03 lakh was released during 2003-2004 for the State of Jharkhand. Moreover, Ministry of Water Resources have also allocated Rs. 10 lakh for the State of Jharkhand for demonstrative projects of roof top rain water harvesting in 10 schools during 2004-05.