GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2583 ANSWERED ON:16.08.2004 COASTAL AREA DEVELOPMENT FUND Barad Shri Jashubhai Dhanabhai

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) The quantum of funds allocated to the States from the Coastal Area Development Fund during each of the last three years, especially to Gujarat;
- (b) Whether the Government of Gujarat has sought more fund assistance from the Coastal Area Development Fund:
- (c) If so, whether the Union Government have accepted the demand of the Government of Gujarat; and
- (d) If not, the reasons for not according approval to the demands?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANT1 LAL BHURIA)

(a)to(d): There is no Coastal Area Development Fund (CADF) and therefore allocation funds under the CADF to the States does not arise. In addition, no request from the State Government of Gujarat has been received for allocating fund from Coastal Area Developmen Fund during last three years. Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture are implementing two major watershed development programmes, namely, National Watershed Developmen Project for Rainfed Areas (NWDPRA) and Soil Conservation for Enhancing the Productivity Degraded Lands in the Catchments of River Valley Project & Flood Prone River (RVP & FPR through Macro Management of Agriculture (MMA). The funds are allocated for thest programmes by the State Government from the overall fund allocated to the State under MM/ including Gujarat. An amount of Rs.55.51 crore has been allocated under these programmes to the State of Gujarat in last three years as per details given below:

(Amount in Rupees Crore)
Period NWDPRA RVP & FPR Total
2001-02 15.00 4.99 19.99
2002-03 12.03 5.77 17.80
2003-04 13.15 4.57 17.72
Grand Total 40.18 15.33 55.51