

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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WORLD BANK LOAN FOR MODERNIZATION OF IRRIGATION SYSTEM

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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the World Bank has offered to fund the modernization of irrigation system in India as reported in the Hindu dated June 8, 2007 ;
- (b) if so, the details of proposals sent to World Bank for consideration and approval during the last one year, State-wise; and
- (c) the number of proposals approved by the World Bank, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a) The World Bank is currently financing a number of projects aimed at modernizing irrigation system in India. However, with regard to the news item published in `The Hindu` dated June 8, 2007, the World Bank has informed that World Bank has neither committed nor received any official proposal to modernize any further irrigation systems in Tamil Nadu besides the recently approved Tamil Nadu Irrigated Agriculture Modernization and Water-bodies Restoration and Management (TNIAMWARM) Project.

(b) The following projects have been approved by the World Bank during the last one year :

(i) Tamil Nadu Irrigated Agriculture Modernization and Water-bodies Restoration and Management-(TNIAMWARM Project).

(ii) Andhra Pradesh Community Based Tank Management Project.Further, the following projects have been posed to World Bank for consideration:

(i) Orissa Community Tanks Management Project.

(ii) Additional financing for Karnataka Tanks project.

(iii) Andhra Pradesh Water Sector Improvement Project.

(iv) West Bengal-Accelerated Development of Minor Irrigation .

(v) Mahanadi Basin Development Project.

(c) The following irrigation/water resources projects are ongoing with assistance of World Bank

(i) Rajasthan Water Sector Restructuring Project .(Rajasthan)

(ii) Uttar Pradesh Water Sector Restructuring Project. (Uttar Pradesh)

(iii) Karnataka Community based Tank Management Project. (Karnataka)

(iv) Madhya Pradesh Water Sector Restructuring Project. (Madhya Pradesh)

(v) Maharashtra Water Sector Improvement Project. (Maharashtra)

(vi) Tamil Nadu Irrigated Agriculture Modernization and Water Bodies Restoration Project. (Tamil Nadu)

(vii) Andhra Pradesh Community based Tank Management Project.(Andhra Pradesh)