

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:872
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MINOR IRRIGATION WORK IN GUJARAT
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government is aware that Gujarat is placing major emphasis on minor irrigation works to augment water for irrigation to farmers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the funds requested by the Government of Gujarat to the Union Government under Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programmes (AIBP); and
- (c) by when the funds are likely to be given to the State Government for the purpose?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Yes Sir, Government of Gujarat had furnished a proposal for 5000 check dams, costing Rs. 150 crores. under Sardar Patel Participatory Water Resources Conservation Project to GOI during 2002-03.

(c) Release of funds for Gujarat against the proposal is not possible as Central Loan Assistance for minor irrigation schemes are provided under AIBP to the Special Category States only (i. e. North Eastern States, Hilly States & KBK Districts of Orissa).