GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

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CONSTRUCTION OF GALIARA AROUND GOLDEN TEMPLE, AMRITSAR
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the progress made so far in construction of a Galiara around Golden Temple of Amritsar;
- (b) the total amount sanctioned by the Government in this regard; and
- (c) the time by which the entire work is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) to (c): The Government of Punjab is carrying out the works of the Galiara Project for the decongestion and beautification of the surroundings of the Golden Temple Complex at Amritsar. The entire project is to be completed in five Phases. Of these, three phases have been completed. The Central Government released Rs. 70 crores in 1988-89 as a Special Term Loan to the government of Punjab for the execution of the project. In February, 2005, the Central Government has agreed to provide Rs. 55 crores as grant to the Government of Punjab for phases IV and V of the project. The amount of Rs. 55 crores is to be released in installments. First installment of Rs. 13.75 crores has been released on 31.3.2005. The State Government has reported that the works are likely to be completed within 30 months with effect from 1.3.2005.