GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WATER RESOURCES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2443 ANSWERED ON:10.03.2011 WATER CONSERVATION Patel Shri Devji

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) the institution-wise and programme-wise details of the funds allocated for water conservation during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether various institutions are misusing the funds allocated for water conservation utilising them for excessive use of water; and
- (c) the action taken or likely to be taken by the Government against such institutions?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES & MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI VINCENT H. PALA)

(a) Outlays for irrigation and command area development sectors for 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11 are respectively Rs.37062.82 crore, Rs.44757.88 crore, Rs.43534.15 crore and Rs.49445.50 crore. Programme-wise / scheme -wise releases during last three years from 2007-08 to 2009-10 and current year are as under.

(Rupees in Crores) Name of Schemes/Programmes During last three years Current year 2007-08 to 2009-10 Accelerated Irrigation 19989.52 3669.70 Benefits Programme (AIBP) Repair, Renovation and 485.47 250.41# Restoration of Water Bodies (RRR) Command Area Development 1015.13 346.54 & Water Management (CADWM) Programme Artificial Recharge of 280.59 Ground Water through Dug wells Farmers' Participatory 20.88 9.98 Action Research Programme (FPARP)

Central grants released under the schemes of RRR of Water Bodies (Domestic Supported).

A list of institutions which have been provided support under (FPARP) is annexed. Fund is also allocated to National Water Development Agency for carrying out inter alia, detailed survey and investigation of possible reservoir sites and inter-connecting links in order to establish feasibility of the proposals of Peninsular Rivers Development and Himalayan Rivers Development components forming part of the National Perspective for Water Resources Development. The funds released during last three years from 2007-08 to 2009-10 is Rs.81.97 crore and during 2010-11 is Rs.31.83 crore.

(b) & (c) No report of misuse of fund has been received in the Ministry of Water Resources in respect of funds allotted under FPARP. In other cases, Funds in respect of AIBP, RRR etc. are released on the basis of utilization certificates of State Governments/project authorities of State Governments.