

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

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NATIONAL PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to declare large irrigation projects as national projects and provide 90 per cent assistance to them under the Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP); and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a)&(b) The Union Cabinet in its meeting held on 7.2.2008 approved the scheme of national projects and also approved 14 projects as national projects. The list of these 14 projects is enclosed at Annexure-I. The criteria for selection of National projects is given at Annexure-II.

As per the guidelines of National Projects, the projects are eligible for 90% grant of the balance project cost (cost of work) of irrigation and drinking water components of the project.