

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1600  
ANSWERED ON:22.03.2012  
LOWER PAINGANGA IRRIGATION PROJECT  
Ahir Shri Hansraj Gangaram

**Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the work on Lower Painganga Irrigation Project in Maharashtra is being delayed;
- (b) if so, whether the State Government has requested the Central Government to provide assistance for completion of this project;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Union Government proposes to provide financial assistance for the completion of Lower Painganga Irrigation Project; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

- (a) Yes Sir, as per the information from Government of Maharashtra, the work on Lower Penganga irrigation project is delayed.
- (b) & (c) No proposal has been received from the State Government to provide Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP) for completion of this project.
- (d) & (e) Central Assistance under AIBP is provided to the projects on the request from the concerned State Governments and as per the eligibility criteria of AIBP guidelines in vogue.