

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

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DEVELOPMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE IN NEWLY CREATED STATES
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any special action plan has been prepared by the Union Government for the development of infrastructure in the water resources sector in newly created States like Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and Uttarakhand; and

(b) if so, the amount released to the said States under various projects under the said action plan alongwith the amount outstanding, State-wise and project-wise?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) No, Madam. No special Action Plan has been prepared by the Union Government for the development of infrastructure in the water resources sector in newly created States like Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and Uttarakhand. The irrigation projects including minor irrigation projects are undertaken by the respective State Governments as per their priorities. With a view to encourage, the completion of ongoing projects and help states in creation of irrigation potential, Government of India provides financial assistance under Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP). Details of total Central Loan Assistance/ grants released so far to the states of Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and Uttarakhand for major, medium and minor irrigation projects under AIBP is enclosed (Annexure-I).