

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4088
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WATER RESOURCES FOR WEAKER SECTIONS
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Planning Commission has received any representations particularly from the Asirvadam Dalit Activists of Kodigudem, West Godaveri in Andhra Pradesh for better availability and utilization of water resources for the weaker sections of the society;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether cases of misuse of funds meant for drinking water purposes have come to the notice of the Government;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to ensure that the funds are fully and properly utilised for the purposes these are meant?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES (DR. ASHWANI KUMAR)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c) &(d): Regarding the use of National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) funds by the State of Andhra Pradesh, some observations have been made by the Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation on the Audit Report of the Auditor General of Andhra Pradesh, for which a Special Audit by the Auditor General has been requested.

(e): The Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation is regularly monitoring the expenditure of funds provided under NRDWP to the States including Andhra Pradesh through meetings, video conferences and visits of Senior Officers of the Ministry to the State.