

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

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UTILISATION OF FUNDS

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

- (a) whether the utilisation certificate has been received from Gujarat regarding the funds released for irrigation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the achievements made in the implementation of Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP) during the last five years in the State?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES ( SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) & (b) Presently, only one on-going irrigation project of Gujarat, namely, Sardar Sarover Project is under Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP). Central Assistance (CA) of Rs. 361.42 Crore was released to this project during the year 2010-11 and utilisation Certificate for the amount released by the Government of India and the State share has been received. No Central Assistance under AIBP was released to Sardar Sarover Project during the financial year 2011-12.

Under the scheme of Repair, Renovation and Restoration (RRR) of water bodies "under the domestic support, works on 34 water bodies of Gujarat have been taken up during XIth Plan. Central Grant of Rs. 10.61 Crore was released to Government of Gujarat for these water bodies, however, utilisation Certificate for the amount released by the Government of India has not been received.

(c) During last five years (2007-08 to 2011-12), Irrigation potential of 162.837 thousand hectares has been created through the projects under AIBP in Gujarat.