GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WATER RESOURCES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3916 ANSWERED ON:21.03.2013 THREAT TO DAM Gaddigoudar Shri P.C.

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is danger to the Krishna Raja Sagar Dam (KRS Dam) due to the quarry work taking place in the vicinity of the dam;

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government to stop the quarry work; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) As per the information furnished by the State Government of Karnataka, the study on ground vibration and air overpressure conducted by the National Institute of Rock Mechanics, Kolar Gold Fields, Karnataka, India at the instance of STG Stone Crushers, Chinakurali, Pandavapura Taluk indicates that there is no danger to the Krishna Raja Sagar Dam (KRS Dam) by quarrying activity taking place at their site located about 8 km from the dam.

(b) As per the information furnished by the State Government, on the basis of the decision taken in the meeting held on 17.01.2011 under the Chairmanship of CADA Cauvery Neeravari Projects, Mysore, 8 licences pertaining to the quarrying within the range of 5 km from North Bank of KRS Dam have been cancelled by the Mines & Geology Department. And quarrying is stopped. Further, based on the inspection of Police and Revenue Authorities, 5 illegal quarrying is stopped and cases have been registered.

(c) Does not arise.