GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WATER RESOURCES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4125 ANSWERED ON:21.03.2013 RAVI BEAS ISSUE Bairwa Shri Khiladi Lal;Meghwal Shri Bharat Ram

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Punjab and Haryana are giving less water to Rajasthan from their specified quota from Ravi, Beas and Satluj;
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to direct Bhakra Beas Management Board (BBMB) to ensure the share of water to Rajasthan as decided in the sitting of Technical Committee of BBMB; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

- (a) As informed by the Bhakra Beas Management Board (BBMB), deliveries to states are given as per the requirements projected/decided in the Technical Committee Meetings held every month. In the last ten years except for 2002-03, 2003-04, 2009-10 the overall supplies to Rajasthan were more than their agreed share of water. BBMB has further informed that Rajasthan on the whole has been delivered more than their share from Ravi-Beas and Sutlej waters in the current depletion period with effect from 21.09.12.
- (b) & (c) The responsibility of delivering to Rajasthan their share of water, as decided by the Technical Committee Meetings of BBMB is of the States of Punjab and Haryana. However, as informed by BBMB, whenever shortages are noticed or request is received from Rajasthan, BBMB requests the concerned States to deliver the correct/agreed supplies.