

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LIFT WATER SUPPLY PROJECT
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to undertake Barmer Lift water supply project to ensure long-term water supply to defence establishments as well as civilian population in Jaisalmer and Barmer district of Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the proposed expenditure to be incurred thereon; and
- (c) the time schedule for completion of the project?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE(SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): The Barmer Lift Water Supply Scheme is a State Government Project and is being implemented by Public Health Engineering Department (PHED), Government of Rajasthan. The Project would cater to the drinking water needs of Military and civilian population in Jaisalmer and Barmer Districts. The total estimated cost of the project is Rs.845.66 Crore out of which the Defence share has been worked out as Rs.242.56 Crore on the basis of share of water for Defence. In addition Rs.39.39 Crore has been estimated for works connected with water supply to Military areas to be executed by Public Health Engineering Department (PHED), Government of Rajasthan and Rs.26.63 Crore is estimated for infrastructure works at Military Stations, to be executed by Military Engineering Service(MES). Thus the Ministry of Defence proposes to incur an expenditure of Rs.308.58 Crore for the project.

(c) As per information furnished by Public Health Engineering Department (PHED), Government of Rajasthan, the project is scheduled to be completed by March, 2011.