

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4229  
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SAFE DRINKING WATER  
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**Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether check dam, pump house and filter bed constructed in 2005 for supply of safe drinking water in Brichgunj, South Andaman are not being used;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (d) the details of expenditure incurred on construction of these check dam, pump house and filter bed so far?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI BHARATSINH SOLANKI)

(a ) to (d) As reported by the Zilla Parishad, South Andaman district, the work of "Providing piped water supply from Joda Nallah Brookshabad under Brichgunj" was sanctioned vide No.14-32/RW/PL/ZP/2004/ 1612 dated 09/08/2004. The date of completion as per record i.e., electric connection of this work is March, 2008 and the estimate provides for: -

1. Construction of Check wier for a length of 60 mtrs.
2. Construction of a R.C.C Surface water tank of capacity 50,000 litres
3. Construction of Slow sand filter of capacity 1,00,000 liters per day.
4. Providing and Laying G.I. Pipeline of 2200 mtrs length at Brookshabad.
5. Construction of a Over Head G.I. Steel Tank of 1,00,000 liters capacity.
6. Providing and Installation of Electric Engine Driven (01 No.) Pump Set.
7. Construction of Pump House.

Initially from overhead tank the water was released to Andaman Public Works Department (APWD) for providing water supply to the village. As informed by the Zilla Parishad, South Andaman, this process could not continue long.

After inspection by the then Chief Secretary of A&N Islands a decision was taken to handover this project to APWD.

Zilla Parishad, South Andaman vide their letter dated 17/2/2014 intimated that the project will be handed over to APWD for completion. The total expenditure incurred as reported by Zilla Parishad, South Andaman as on 17/2/2014 is Rs.90,21,619/-.