

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether the Government has reviewed the ongoing/pending water projects in the country including the projects in Jharkhand;
- (b) if so, the current status of these projects in Jharkhand, project-wise; and
- (c) the funds allocated and utilised for each of the project in the State?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VINCENT H. PALA)

(a) to (c) Irrigation is a State subject and planning, execution, funding and priority of execution of irrigation projects is within the purview of the concerned State Governments. In order to expedite completion of ongoing projects, the Union Government launched Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) in 1996 to provide financial assistance to the state governments.

There are 7 major and 17 medium ongoing irrigation projects in Jharkhand. Financial assistance under AIBP has been provided to the Jharkhand state for 9 irrigation projects. Out of these 9 projects, 2 projects have been completed. One project namely Torai project has been deferred by the state government due to public agitation and other projects are ongoing. Under the AIBP, Central assistance is released on receipt of AIBP release proposal from the State Government in accordance with the AIBP guidelines in force from time to time. The year wise details of central assistance released to irrigation projects of Jharkhand are given in Annex-I.