

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6162
ANSWERED ON:30.04.2015
GOSIKHURD PROJECT
Patole Shri Nanabhau Falgunrao

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Gosikhurd project has been completed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the expenditure incurred thereon in comparison to the original cost;
- (c) if not, the steps taken by the Government for sanctioning the required funds for finishing of the project; and
- (d) whether any irregularity has been reported during the execution of the project; and
- (e) if so, the action taken against those found guilty?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION (PROF. SANWAR LAL JAT)

- (a)& (b) No Madam, the project is in progress. An expenditure of Rs. 8450.17 crore has been incurred on the project upto March, 2015. The original cost of the project was Rs.372.22 crore; the revised cost as per 2007-08 prices is Rs. 7777.85 crore.
- (c) The Memorandum of Understanding with the Government of Maharashtra for Gosikhurd National Project was signed for an amount of Rs. 4458.87 crore. Central Assistance (CA) for Rs. 2987.94 crore has been provided to Govt. of Maharashtra upto the year 2014-15.
- (d)& (e) Some irregularities have been observed during the execution of this project. The State Government had appointed two independent enquiry committees for an investigation into the matter. The officers responsible have been charge sheeted and the departmental enquiry is in progress.. Necessary corrective measures regarding civil works; concrete-lining of Left Bank Canal are being undertaken on a priority basis.