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Infrastructure for Reservoirs
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANAGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken a note of the situation in which various water reservoirs in the country particularly Bihar are suffering for long time for proper infrastructure;
- (b) if so, the names of such reservoirs, location-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps to overcome the existing problems and enhance the infrastructure of irrigation facilities to facilitate farmers; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Water being State subject, the reservoirs located in a particular State come under the purview of respective State Government. Any programme for their repair, renovation and restoration is initiated by respective State Governments. The role of Central Government is technical, advisory, catalytic and promotional in nature. The Central Government, however, supports the various State Governments by providing Financial Assistance for the purpose.

(c) & (d) There are various schemes under this Ministry for providing grants for completing these projects such as Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Program (AIBP); Repair, Renovation and Restoration (RRR) of Water Bodies; Command Area Development (CAD) etc. All these schemes are currently part of the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY). A total of 297 projects have been taken up under AIBP, to create an irrigation potential of 15.1 million hectares. 143 of these projects have been completed and the rest are at various stages of completion.
