Title: Need for construction of Third Canal System of the Upper Indravati Multi-purpose Project in Kalahandi district of Orissa - laid.

SHRI BIKRAM KESHARI DEO (KALAHANDI) : Sir, the already surveyed third Canal system (previously Lift Canal) now flow canal of the Upper Indravati Multi Purpose Project in Kalahandi may be taken up under AIBP Programme to augment irrigation facility to the drought prone areas of Kalahandi and in particular Koksara Block and parts of Dharmgarh Block. Also preliminary feasibility for the third Canal has been sent to the Central Government because itsis contemplated that there is sufficient water for this canal also which can irrigate large tracts of arable land.

I request the Government to look into the matter.