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Title: Need to approve the proposal of Government of Haryana for drinking water supply project in southern parts of Haryana and sanction necessary funds for the project.

**SHRIMATI SHRUTI CHOUDHARY (BHIWANI-MAHENDRAGARH):** I would like to draw the attention of the Government regarding the need to release funds for my Parliamentary constituency Bhiwani-Mehendergarh and adjoining areas like Rewari and Jhajhar, immediately under Drought Prone Areas Programme (DPAP) for improvement of drinking water supply in Southern parts of Haryana.

In this regard, I would like to state that already the Government of Haryana had submitted a proposal recently to the Hon'ble Union Minister regarding drinking water and sanitation and asked for a special grant of Rs.400 crore for improvement of drinking water supply in Southern parts of Haryana and also raised the issue in the conference of various state Ministers held recently in New Delhi.

A detailed survey was conducted to assess the actual availability of drinking water in the affected habitations of southern Haryana and a Project concept document has been formulated for the districts of Bhiwani, Mahendergarh, Rewari and Jhajhar, amounting to Rs.414 crore. The project document highlights the magnitude of the drinking water problem prevailing in these districts and the tangible steps proposed to be taken to alleviate the miseries of the people residing in the affected areas. Drought like conditions exist in these areas and there is perpetual shortage of drinking water.

Hence, I request the concerned Hon'ble Minister to kindly approve the aforesaid project proposal of Rs.414 crore and arrange to release at least Rs.200 crore during the current financial year under DPAP before the summer season.