

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF LAND RESOURCES

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UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 4793
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.07.2019

Lift Irrigation Projects

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal for lift irrigation projects under the Micro Watershed Scheme from the State Government of Assam;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) the reasons for delay in approving the project; and
- (d) the time by which the project is likely to be approved and the amount likely to be released to the State Government?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (d) The Department of Land Resources has not received any proposal for lift irrigation projects under the Watershed Development Component of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana scheme from the State Government of Assam.

However, as per information received from Department of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, Ministry of Jal Shakti, water resources projects including lift irrigation projects are planned, implemented and managed by the concerned State Government as per their own resources and priority. In order to supplement the efforts of the State Governments, Government of India provides technical and financial assistance to State Governments to encourage sustainable development and efficient management of water resources through various schemes and programmes such as Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP); and schemes of Repair, Renovation and Restoration (RRR) of water bodies etc.

Three ongoing irrigation projects namely Champamati, Dhansiri and Borolia in the State of Assam have been prioritized in consultation with the State for completion in phases by December, 2019 under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana – Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (PMKSY-AIBP) in 2016-17.

These projects were sanctioned prior to March, 2016 with Central Assistance of Rs. 438.639 crore under AIBP scheme. Out of Ultimate Irrigation Potential of about 1.25 lakh hectare targeted by these three projects, irrigation potential of about 0.96 lakh hectare is reported to have been created upto March, 2019.
