

Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Issue pertaining to water scarcity in Bellary Parliamentary Constituency, Karnataka.

****SHRI Y. DEVENDRAPPA (BELLARY):** Hon'ble Speaker, Sir, thank you for giving me the opportunity to raise an important issue pertaining to water scarcity in my Parliamentary constituency Bellary in Karnataka state.

Sir, I express my sincere thanks to our hon'ble Prime Minister shri Narendra Modi ji and the people of my constituency as got elected with their blessings. For the Ten or Fifteen years there has been no rain in my district. Water scarcity is major problem in my constituency as the water tanks and lakes are dried up due to deficit rainfall. Both people and cattle are facing severe shortage of water for drinking and also for irrigation. About 69 big and 79 small water tanks were built during Vijay Nagara empire. So, these water tanks and lakes should be filled with back water from the river Tungabhadra. It would help to meet the needs of water for drinking and irrigation activities and also help in recharging the ground water in my district and surrounding regions.

The government of Karnataka has come forward to take up the work to fill the water tanks and lakes with river water. So I would like to request the union government to extend financial and technical support to complete the work at the earliest. I once again express my thanks and conclude my speech.

