

Regarding need for financial assistance to develop agricultural infrastructure in Zaheerabad Parliamentary Constituency, Telangana- Laid

SHRI SURESH KUMAR SHETKAR (ZAHIRABAD): I would like to highlight the urgent issue of recurring drought and lack of irrigation facilities in the Zaheerabad Parliamentary Constituency. Though it lies in the Manjeera sub-basin of the Godavari Basin, most parts of the region suffer from water scarcity due to the absence of assured irrigation and severely depleted groundwater levels. Agriculture is the main source of livelihood in Zaheerabad. However, without proper irrigation, it has become unsustainable, forcing migration and economic hardship. Except for an automotive unit in Zaheerabad town, there are no major industries to provide alternative employment. Only parts of Banswada, Yellareddy, and Kamareddy receive some water through existing projects ? the rest remain neglected. I request the Central Government to allocate ₹2000 crore on a war footing to develop irrigation infrastructure, rejuvenate tanks and lakes, recharge groundwater, and extend canal networks from Nizamsagar and Sriramsagar. In addition, I strongly urge the Government to conduct a comprehensive scientific survey with water resource and agriculture experts to assess the region?s irrigation potential and design sustainable solutions. The future of our farmers depends on this House?s action. Let us not delay. Jai Hind. Jai Kisan.