

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5850
ANSWERED ON:03.05.2000
CLEANING OF KOOVAM CANAL ADIAYARU
A. KRISHNASWAMY

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether U.S. President during his visit to India has offered to extend technical know-how to clean the Koovam Canal, Adiyaru and Bughimham canal in Chennai;
- (b) if so, the details of the offer;
- (c) whether the Union Government propose to help the Government of Tamil Nadu in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES

(SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c)&(d) Ministry of Water Resources has not received any scheme in this regard. However the State Government of Tamilnadu has sent a project proposal regarding an Integrated Project encompassing the cleaning of Waterways of Chennai City, rehabilitation of slum dwellers and plugging of sewage in fall pipes in City Waterways at an estimated cost of Rs.1,700 crore to Ministry of Environment and Forests and Ministry of Urban Development of Government of India in February, 2000 for funding.