

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:984
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SARDAR SAROVAR PROJECT
PUSHPDAN SHAMBHUDAN GADHAVI

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government of Gujarat has sought financial assistance (loan) from the Union Government for the early completion of Sardar Sarovar Project;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) to (c) As reported by the Government of Gujarat no Financial Assistance has been sought from the Union Government specifically for early completion of Sardar Sarovar Project. The Central Government is providing Central Loan Assistance (CLA) under Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) for such ongoing irrigation projects for their early completion which have been given investment clearance by the Planning Commission. The Sardar Sarovar Project has been provided CLA under AIBP since 1996-97 and an amount of RS. 2896.25 crore has been provided upto 2002-03.