

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3680  
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IRRIGATION PROJECTS OF MADHYA PRADESH  
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**Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government of Madhya Pradesh has sent several proposals to the Union Government regarding completion of irrigation projects;
- (b) if so, the names of the projects;
- (c) the present status of approval in this matter;
- (d) whether the construction work of right side canal of Bargi diversion project under the Narmada Valley Development has been completed; and
- (e) if not, the time by which the remaining work is targeted to be completed?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES, PUBLIC ENTERPRISES AND WATER RESOURCES (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV)

(a) to (c) Irrigation is a State subject and the planning, execution, funding, operation and maintenance are primarily the responsibility of State Governments based on their priorities. Completion of irrigation projects, inter-alia, depends on the planning and budgetary allocation made by the State Governments. The Central Government has been providing Central assistance under the Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme(AIBP) since 1996-97 for completion of irrigation projects as per the guidelines of the programme. So far, 13 project proposals received from the State Government are included under the programme and the assistance provided with the names of the projects is at Annexure. The proposals received during the year from the State Government for availing Central assistance in respect of Bansgar (Unit-I & Unit- II), Mahi, Bawanthadi, Omkareshwar, Bargi Diversion (Phase-I & Phase- II) and Harsi High level canal have been examined and sent back to the State Government for certain clarifications/compliance.

(d) & (e) The right bank main canal (RBC) of Bargi Diversion project is under execution by the State Government upto 104 kilometre (km) length. The initial length of RBC from 0-16 km is getting the loan assistance from National Agricultural Bank for Rural Development while the components of the RBC between 16 to 63 km and 63 to 104 km are being provided Central assistance under AIBP and an amount of Rs.167.92 crore has so far been released as CLA/grant. The components under AIBP are scheduled for completion by the year 2007-08.