

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3612
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INDIRA GANDHI CANAL SCHEME
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government of Rajasthan has made any request to Union Government to declare `Indira Gandhi Canal Scheme` as a national scheme ;
- (b) If so, the reaction of the Union Government thereto ;
- (c) Whether the State Government has made any request to Union Government for release of additional funds for maintenance and extension of IG Canal; and
- (d) If so, the details thereof, and the steps being taken by the Government in this regard ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) to (b) No sir. The concept of National Project is yet to be evolved and finalized.

(c) to (d) Indira Gandhi Nahar Project (IGNP) Stage-I has been completed. Central Government is very keen to complete IGNP Stage-II. Central Government assistance in the form of Advance Plan Assistance, Drought Relief Assistance and Border Area Development Programme has been extended to canal works of IGNP Stage-II from time to time. Assistance provided so far is Rs.611.62 crore. The project is under AIBP since 1997-98 and has received total CLA of Rs.523.979 crore and Grant of Rs.58.741 crore up to March 2006. No request has been received for release of additional fund for maintenance of IG Canal.