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Dry Canals

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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANAGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of irrigation projects sanctioned in the country during the last three years and details with regard to their present status;
- (b) the details of canals with water flowing and those lying dry in the country due to which farmers have to face hardships in irrigating their fields, State-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government for improving canal irrigation facilities?

Answer

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION

(PROF.SANWAR LAL JAT)

(a) 40 number of irrigation projects have been considered and accepted by the Advisory Committee Of Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation during the last three years, details of the same are given at Annexure-I.

(b) & (c) Specific information in this regard is not available in this Ministry. However, irrigation development, planning, execution, operation & maintenance of irrigation projects including repairing and strengthening of dams, embankments and canals are carried out by the State Governments from their own resources and as per their own requirements and priority of works. The Union Government has launched Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP) in 1996-97 for providing financial assistance with an objective of expediting the implementation of ongoing major, medium and extension, renovation and modernization (ERM) irrigation project including lift irrigation which are in advance stage of construction and new surface minor irrigation schemes.
