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REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON CABINET SECRETARIAT

ON

THE STARRED QUESTION NO.103 ASKED BY SENATOR COL(R) TAHIR HUSSAIN MASHHADI ON 23RD DECEMBER, 2016, REGARDING THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS AND UTILIZATION OF THE SAME BY THE GOVERNMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE CHIRAH DAM IN ISLAMABAD

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PRESENTED BY

SENATOR MUHAMMAD TALHA MEHMOOD CHAIRMAN

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I, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat, have the honour to present report on the subject matter of "Starred Question No.103 asked by Senator Col(R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi on 23rd December, 2016, regarding the funds allocated and released by the Government for construction of the Chirah Dam in Islamabad" the Starred Question was referred to the Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat.

2. The composition of the Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat is as under:-

1.	Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood	Chairman
2.	Senator Osman Saifullah Khan	Member
3.	Senator Nawabzada Saifullah Magsi	Member
4.	Senator Kamil Ali Agha	Member
5.	Senator Hidayat Ullah	Member
6.	Senator Shahi Syed	Member
7.	Senator Haji Saifullah Khan Bangash	Member
8.	Senator Khushbakht Shujat	Member
9.	Senator Rahila Magsi	Member
10.	Senator Kalsoom Perveen	Member
11.	Senator Mir Muhammad Yousaf Badini	Member
12.	Senator Ms. Najma Hameed	Member
13.	Minister of State for Capital Administration and Development Division	Ex-officio Member

- 3. Senator Col.(R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi briefed the Committee regarding allocation and its utilization of funds for construction of the Chirah Dam in Islamabad, he stated that due to delay in the project more than Rs.12 billions cost of the project has increased.
- 4. Member Engineering, CDA, briefed the Committee that this project is in collaboration with Punjab Government on the basis of 50 percent basis and the project is being run by small Dams Organization, Government of Punjab.
- 5. Mr. Naseer A. Gillani, Chief (Water), Planning & Development Division, briefed the Committee that the said project is on the basis of 50 percent between Federal Government and Punjab Government for providing water to Islamabad and Rawalpindi cities but till now no work has been done.
- 6. The Chief Engineer, Irrigation Department, Government of Punjab briefed that Rs.700 million has been deposited by the Federal Government and Rs.166 million by Government of the Punjab, the said amount is lying in government treasury/Land Acquisition Officer, Islamabad. In 2009 the cost of project was Rs.5 billion, two years back its cost was Rs.17 billion but till now land could not be acquired. The Additional Secretary, CADD, proposed that in government departments joint venture system is not successful.
- The Committee recommends that the project has failed, therefore, the Chief Secretary, Government of Punjab, may held inquiry in the matter and take necessary action against the responsible persons, however, this project is not feasible at this stage, therefore, joint venture between Government of Punjab and Federal Government may be terminated and the respective amount may be returned to respective Governments and CDA may make a comprehensive water plan for next 50 years.

(HYDER ALL SUNDRANI) D.S/Secretary Committee

(Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood)
Chairman
Senate Standing Committee on Cabinet
Secretariat