HISTORY OF CHIKOTRA PROJECT

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Abstract—
Maharashtra state is renowned for the forming where are maximum dams including 84 big, 224 middle & 2156 small sized irrigations. Moreover, there are about 2464 other projects in which chikotra is in Kolhapur district. It is located about 16.07.N, 74.12.E / 16.12.N, 07’E. It is place at north west for Kolhapur about 80 km in the hill area Ajara (Tahasil City).

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INTRODUCTION
It is 660 mtr height from latitude containing 1,20,124 population. The area is 34578.74 hectare. This alone tahasil contains 5 middle size projects which carries 2.227 project member & well irrigational 2025 systems for horticulation. Ajra Ghansal rice is very famous 75% of total mass is literate & 12% of them are below years old. This tehasil is resting among the pinnacle of Sahyadri hill in the shape of thumb. It fascinates to everybody for its unique geographical structure.

Historical Importance of Ajara Area :-
It is an ancient place, from where 2 km long Shri Ram temple is widely known as ‘Ramtirth’. The armies of king Shivaji used to stay in Gajargaon. The protest of non viotent for the farmers wage rate increasment alike protest of Bordoli have taken place in Ajara tahasil in 1940. People of this area have also been actively participated in the struggle for the independence of India.

Nature of Chikotra Programme :-
The rivers in Ajara tahasil kindly Ambeohal, Hiranyakeshi, Chitra which notably flow to eastwards. Maharashtra government has began to contrct 5 middle sized projects because this place is adptive to be erected such projects geographically. Chikotra is one of these projrcts completed in 2007. It bears complete storage of water every year.
‘Maharastra Krushna Cannel Development Unit, Pune’ center has taken 411 projects to looj after which is highest figure of project under construction. ‘Kolhapur Irrigation Centre, Kolhapur’ had began the construction of Chitra project.

Maharashtra gvt. Has sanctioned the permission to construct middle sized projects in Ajara tahasil in 25 January, 1994. The capacity of this project is 43.15dml (water storage)788.8 hectare are is under back water out of which 788.8 hectare is benefited. This project is being completed in 2007 although the water storage has began in 2001.

There is no one is being afflicted in Chitra project but chimane, Zulapewadi in Ajara tahsil & Begawade, Aralgundi & Bediv from Budargad tahsil are partly afflicted by ths project. Though total rainfall of world 1110 mm our Indian ratio is 1160 mm and most surprisingly thes area of under project gets 2050 mm to 2800 rainfall because of which the storage remains evergreen.

There are 788 total members under Chitra Project out of which 155 members have demanded their own lands from government 633 members have rehabilited with the support of government & have reduced burden.

The dam constructed in 1997 & begun to water storage in 2001. The work of rehabilitation could have done by 2001. Then the project was not given payment. Moreover lands of 19 offec ted land owners, being afflicted in 1997, remained unpaid from the salary given by government for rehabilitation till 2013 after competing 15 yrs long waiting. They neither got land nor an economical support.

Party afflicted viliages are 2 to 5 km long from the dam, and the lands given to the affected inhabitants are situated at 20 km distance from dam. Hence, it is very hard to gettle in such long place & cultivate land.

There are colonies established for affected Despite the colonies like, 1. Kalamma Belewadi, 2. Kasari, 3. Vadgaon have been established no any rights are given to affected on any of the 14 civil services kindly – internal gutters, two rooms school, crematory & water supply.

19.67 % of total affected have demanded for resettlement in 15 yrs but not 100% work is done. Therefore, the affected people are facing so many problems. Though it is a provision osf government for giving a job government sector at class 3\text{rd} & 4\text{th} for one member of each family upto now 8 affected people of this area have got a chance though many bear their educational eligibility criteria.
Importance of the Study :-

Though this Chakotra project is middle sized in Ajara tahasil it affects on both tahasil, Bhudargad & Kagal.

Tahasils in Area :-

1. Ajara 465.675 htr
2. Bhudargad 593.042 htr
3. Kagal 629.037 htr

This present report is benifitidal for two big sugar factories in Kagal tahasil. Besides, it is also a contributive for small big business. Moreover, the forming & furtile lands have come under horticulation (gardening etc) fo which this project is really crucial source.

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