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Title: Regarding water problem and drought situation in Ahmednagar, Maharashtra -laid.

DR. SUJAY VIKHE PATIL (AHMEDNAGAR): A dry spell during monsoons has aggravated the ongoing water crisis in Maharashtra to calamitous proportions. As per data provided by Office of Nashik Divisional Commissioner, due to drought, water scarcity has affected more than 15 lakh people in my Parliamentary Constituency of Ahmednagar. The occurrence of drought coupled with climate change has resulted in adverse impact on farmers who are under severe distress due to crop failure and residents of Ahmednagar are facing severe water crisis. There is an urgent need for the Government to announce a special financial assistance for Ahmednagar to tackle drought and promote water conservation techniques such as rainwater harvesting to replenish the existing groundwater table which has been depleting with the passage of time. I request the Government to take measures to solve the issue of drought and water crisis in Ahmednagar.