

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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SHORTFALL IN AGRICULTURAL CROPS

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is likely of shortfall of nearly 9 million tonnes in the output of various agricultural crops in Kharif 2000-2001 season;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the biggest drop expected in sugarcane production;
- (d) if so, the details and reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Government have launched some schemes to bridge the gap between irrigation potential created and utilised;
- (f) if so, the details of these schemes;
- (g) the details of the work done under these schemes, Statewise; and
- (h) the details of the funds demanded by the State Governments and released by the Union Government under these schemes, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a) to (d) According to advance estimates, expected production of important kharif 2000-01 crops vis-à-vis those of last year i.e. kharif 1999-2000 are given as under:

(Million tonnes)

Crop	1999-2000	2000-01
Rice	75.63	74.07
Coarse Cereals	23.47	23.11
Pulses	4.80	5.50
Foodgrains	103.90	102.68
Oilseeds	12.55	12.11
Cotton +	11.99	13.16
Sugarcane	309.31	300.58

+ Million bales of 170 kgs. each.

Since only 39% of net area sown in the country is irrigated, the production of agriculture crops depend, to a great extent, on performance of monsoon and other agro climatic conditions. This causes fluctuations in production performance of various crops.

(e) to (h) Yes, Sir. A Centrally Scheme Sponsored Command Area Development Programme was launched during 1974-75 to bridge the gap between irrigation potential created and utilised. Till the end of 1999-2000, 228 irrigation projects with a Culturable Command Area (CCA) of 22.27 million hectares spread over 23 States and 2 Union Territories were covered under the Programme. Main components of the programme include On-farm Developmental (OFD) works like construction of field channel, field drain, land leveling and shaping and enforcement of warabandi. Central assistance is provided on matching basis to States for carrying out most of the activities.

The state-wise details of work done under core components of OFD and central assistance provided are given in the annexure.

Annexure

Physical Achievements and Funds Released Under Command Area Development (CAD) Programme Since Inception Upto March,2000

Sl.No. State Physical Achievement Under Funds released Implementation of
CAD (Thousand hectares) (Rs. in Lakhs) Warabandi
Land Levelling and Shaping Construction of Construction of
Field Drains Field Channels

1.	Andhra Pradesh	413.31	369.65	9.07	675.64	9297.74
2.	Arunachal Prad	0.00	0.00	0.15	0.09	10.00
3.	Assam	78.71	0.01	21.52	55.40	1997.96
4.	Bihar	86.31	1.29	0.00	1283.43	10918.43
5.	Goa	20.14	0.81	0.01	10.34	917.93
6.	Gujarat	695.18	177.18	2.91	885.53	10910.05
7.	Haryana	298.26	37.30	0.00	389.64	11625.99
8.	Himachal Prad	12.98	0.00	1.14	12.37	556.29
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	306.16	39.81	12.49	71.17	2553.95
10.	Karnataka	302.12	749.78	33.72	1077.43	13022.49
11.	Kerala	145.74	1.19	77.25	171.26	8269.27
12.	Madhya Pradesh	417.79	44.16	37.76	1021.77	8678.85
13.	Maharashtra	482.93	585.96	328.34	1188.67	24121.68
14.	Manipur	20.16	9.03	11.95	47.47	1160.32
15.	Meghalaya	0.50	0.70	0.00	1.00	74.29
16.	Nagaland	0.16	0.00	6.02	0.21	31.43
17.	Orissa	567.26	16.38	106.88	375.48	6053.50
18.	Punjab	0.00	0.00	0.00	40.37	3852.06
19.	Rajasthan	661.61	113.58	30.61	1094.79	38870.58
20.	Tamil Nadu	523.80	0.00	29.20	783.88	14900.98
21.	Tripura	0.20	0.00	0.10	0.32	12.18
22.	Uttar Pradesh	4624.59	8.48	222.15	5674.20	43766.13
23.	West Bengal	0.06	3.08	0.00	98.89	2749.41
24.	D & N Haveli	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
25.	Daman & Diu	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Total 9657.96 2158.39 931.27 14959.35 214351.51