GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1512 ANSWERED ON:27.11.2001 HARVESTING RAIN WATER UNDER TIFAC N.T. SHANMUGAM

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any scheme aiming at harvesting rain water was augmented for irrigation potential in the hilly rain-fall areas under the Technology Information Forecasting and Assessment Council in the country;
- (b) if so, the extent to which this scheme has been implemented so far;
- (c) the amount being allocated to the States in this regard;
- (d) whether the Union Government are monitoring the progress of implementation of the Scheme; and
- (e) if so, the extent to which the scheme has been successful?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BACHI SINGH RAWAT)

- (a) Yes, Sir. A project entitled `Demonstration of Production Potential inHilly Areas of Orissa` is being implemented by Technology Information Forecasting and Assessment Council (TIFAC), an autonomous organisation underthe Department of Science and Technology, through Centre for Environment and Agriculture Development (CEAD), New Delhi at Kommand Panchayat oNayagarh District, Orissa.
- (b) Four water resources have been created in three villages so far.
- (c) Funds are allocated to specific project only and no funds are being allocated to State Governments. The project is directly implemented by Centre for Environment and Agriculture Development with TechnologyInformation Forecasting and Assessment Council.
- (d) Yes, Sir. Technology Information Forecasting and Assessment Council is closely monitoring the implementation of the project.
- (e) The water resources created have already collected water successfully.