

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2383
ANSWERED ON:04.12.2001
DROUGHT PRONE AREA PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the name of States where Drought Prone Areas Programme is being implemented at Present;
- (b) the funds allocated for implementation of the programme during each of the last three years and the current-year, State-wise;
- (c) the funds spent by each State under the programme during the said period; and
- (d) the details of work done by each State under the Programme ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (ANNASAHEB M.K.PATIL)

(a) The Drought Prone Areas Programme (DPAP) is in operation in 16 State. These are Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhatisgarh, Gujrat,Himachal Pradesh,Jammu & Kashmir,Jharkhand, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh,Uttaranchal and West Bengal.

(b),(c)&(d) The funds are not allocated State-wise under the programme, but are released to the programme districts on project to project basis. A watershed development project taken up under the programme takes 4-5 years to complete and funds are released in seven instalments. The first instalment is released alongwith the sanction of the project. Thereafter, each subsequent instalment is released on receipt of specific proposal from the District concerned subject to the condition that at least 50% of the last instalment released has been utilised. Thus, utilisation of funds is ensured at the time of release of subsequent instalments. Statement indicating the funds released during the last three years and the current year, state-wise is enclosed as Annexure-I.

Following main activities are taken up under the programme:-

- Soil & moisture conservation measures like terracing, bunding, trenching, vegetative barriers etc.
- Planting & sowing of multi-purpose trees, shrubs, grasses, legumes and pasture land development
- Encouraging natural regeneration
- Promotion of agro-forestry and horticulture
- Wood substitution and fuel-wood conservation measures
- Measures needed to disseminate technology.
- Training, extension and creation of a greater degree of awareness among the participants
- Encouraging people`s participation.

Annexure-I

Statement as referred to in reply to Part (b), (c) and (d) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.2383 for 4.12.2001

Amount Released (Rupees in Crore)

STATE 98-99 99-2000 2000-2001 2001-2002

As on 3.12.01

Andhra Pradesh	22.91	26.71	47.60	10.58	
Bihar	2.38	2.30	1.00		2.42
Chattishgarh included in M.P.			6.81		5.87
Gujarat	7.77	8.79	14.27	8.98	
Himachal Pradesh	0.52	0.90	2.47	2.56	
Jammu & Kashmir	0.40	2.20	3.69	2.97	
Jharkhand included in Bihar			6.87	8.82	
Karnataka	9.08	8.02	14.26	15.57	
Madhya Pradesh	8.83	14.02	24.96	41.43	
Maharashtra	5.52	6.45	18.99	18.36	
Orissa	2.75	0.46	6.82	9.10	
Rajasthan	1.74	3.86	9.81	9.32	
Tamil Nadu	2.73	8.27	9.09	7.29	
Uttar Pradesh	8.39	10.93	18.38	5.56	
Uttranchal included in U.P.			3.24	3.85	
West Bengal	0.00	2.09	1.35	1.62	

Total	73.00	94.99	189.58	154.29	
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