

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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DROUGHT AFFECTED STATES

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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the average rain fall recorded and likely to be recorded in different regions during the current year as compared to previous year;
- (b) the States which are affected by drought this year;
- (c) the extent of losses sustained by the farmers in those States on account of drought, State-wise; and
- (d) the amount sanctioned by the Government to each affected State to combat the drought situation?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a): As reported by the India Meteorological Department (IMD), during South-West Monsoon 2006 (1.6.2006 to 12.7.2006), the country as a whole received 245.0 mm against normal rainfall of 272.7 mm, with a deviation of -10%. For the corresponding period last year (1.6.2005 to 13.7.2005), the rainfall for the country as a whole, as reported by the IMD, was 284.1 mm against normal average of 282.0 mm, with a deviation of +1%. IMD's latest Long Range Forecast update for 2006 South-West Monsoon Season (June-September) is that for the country as a whole, the seasonal rainfall is likely to be 92% of the Long Period Average (LPA) with a model error of  $\pm 4\%$ .

(b) to (d): No State Government has so far reported drought or drought like situation on account of deficit rainfall during current South-West Monsoon.