

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:298
ANSWERED ON:03.09.2007
ARTIFICIAL RECHARGE OF WATER IN HARD ROCK AREAS
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has proposed a scheme of Rs.1800 crores of artificial recharge of water in hard rock areas in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government also proposes to cover alluvial areas under the scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (PROF. SAIF-UD-DIN SOZ)

- (a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY OF PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.298 FOR REPLY ON 03.09.2007 REGARDING ARTIFICIAL RECHARGE OF WATER IN HARD ROCK AREAS

(a)&(b) The Union Finance Minister in his Budget Speech for 2007-08 had announced a scheme at a cost of Rs. 1800 crores for ground water recharge through dugwells in Over- Exploited and Critical blocks in Hard Rock areas of 7 identified States namely, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh. The scheme envisages 100% subsidy to small and marginal farmers and 50% subsidy to other farmers.

- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise.