

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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INSTALLATION OF DEEP HAND PUMPS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received any requests from certain States including Uttar Pradesh for installation of deep hand pumps during the last three years and current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (c) the action taken on each such request?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (MS. AGATHA SANGMA)

(a) to (c): Yes Sir. A proposal for additional funds for installation of handpumps was received from Uttar Pradesh. As rural drinking water is a State subject, Government of India only supplements their efforts by providing financial and technical support, through its centrally sponsored scheme of National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP). The States are competent to allocate funds to projects planned by them and implement these accordingly. Any such proposal received from the State is returned to them to take action as per the NRDWP Guidelines, utilizing the funds released to them under NRDWP. Uttar Pradesh was allocated Rs. 959.12 crore under NRDWP for 2009-10 for taking up projects for rural drinking water supply of which Rs. 913.44 crore has been released till 28.02.2010.