

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
FINANCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6978  
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RIDF UTILISATION  
Singh Shri Dushyant

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

- (a) whether the Government has revised the funds for the Rural Infrastructure Development Fund;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total spending under this Fund in the State of Rajasthan during each of the last two financial years, sector-wise;
- (d) whether utilisation of the funds for Micro Irrigation Projects is below the average; and
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor and steps taken in this regard?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE(SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) to (e): The details of funds allocated under Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF) during the last three years are given as under:

Year Allocation (Rs. crore)

2007-08 12,000

2008-09 14,000

2009-10 14,000

The disbursements made under RIDF during the last two financial years viz. 2008-09 & 2009-10 to the State of Rajasthan were to the tune of Rs.700 crore and Rs.850 crore respectively. The sector-wise break-up of the disbursements is as under:

(Rs. in crore)  
Sector 2008-09 2009-10

Irrigation 4.21 20.44

Agriculture Related 127.40 57.09

Rural Connectivity 233.84 247.65

Social Sector 334.55 524.82

Total 700.00 850.00

The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) takes up the projects as per the State Government's priority. The Government of Rajasthan has not posed any project under Micro Irrigation under RIDF to NABARD.