

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA UNDER RKVY  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether under the Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) the eligibility criteria fixed to access the funds is very rigid and investment made in irrigation and power sector is not accounted; and
- (b) if so, whether the Union Government proposes to take into consideration the huge investments made by the State Governments for the development of irrigation and power infrastructure; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

- (a): Eligibility under RKVY is based on criterion of share of expenditure on agriculture & allied sectors in state plan (excluding RKVY funds ) in the previous year being higher than the minimum of actual share of expenditure in agriculture & allied sectors in the State Plan during previous three years. Expenditure for this purpose includes expenditure on tube wells/dug wells, drip irrigation & sprinkler irrigation or other minor irrigation projects but excludes expenditure on major & medium irrigation projects and power sector investments.
- (b): No, Madam.
- (c): Does not arise.