

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
FINANCE  
LOK SABHA**

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NABARD'S ASSISTANCE TO STATES FOR DRINKING WATER

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

- (a) whether the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development(NABARD) provides loans to the States for drinking/potable water schemes in villages:
- (b) If so, the details thereof including assistance provided during last three years and the current financial year, State-wise; and
- (c) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure uninterrupted supply of drinking water in rural areas?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c) : National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development(NABARD) has reported that drinking water projects are one of the eligible activities financed under the Rural Infrastructure Development Fund(RIDF) by NABARD. Drinking Water projects are implemented by the State Governments in the villages with RIDF assistance. The State-wise assistance provided under RIDF during the last three years is given in the Annex.