

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

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IRRIGATION IN GUJARAT  
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**Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:**

- (a) the percentage of agriculture land in Gujarat including the areas of Amreli, Navsari, Rajkot and Surat which have sufficient irrigation potentials; and
- (b) the progress made to cover the irrigated agriculture land in the State during the last three years?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES & MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI VINCENT H. PALA)

(a) & (b) As per the information provided by the Government of Gujarat, the percentage of agricultural land to the total geographical area of the State is 63.26%. The Directorate of Economics & Statistics, Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture has informed that percentage of gross irrigated area to agricultural land in Amreli, Navsari, Rajkot and Surat districts are respectively 36.5%, 63.2%, 49.7% and 61.1% and that for the State as a whole is 42.5%.

As per the information provided by State Government, the irrigation potentials created in Gujarat during 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10 are 120 thousand hectares, 90 thousand hectares and 110 thousand hectares respectively.