

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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NATIONAL WATERSHED DEVELOPMENT PROJECT
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has selected certain districts in the country for inclusion under the National Watershed Development Project (NWDP);
- (b) if so, the details of districts selected for the purpose; and
- (c) the details of works undertaken in these districts under the said project?

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) to (c): The National Watershed Development Project for Rainfed Areas (NWDPRRA) is being implemented in all the 28 states of the country covering 454 districts. In the first two years of the XI Plan, 6.14 lakh ha. has been developed in these districts incurring an expenditure of about 480 crores. The State-wise details of the districts covered under the programme is annexed. Under the watershed development projects, activities like runoff control measures, in-situ-moisture conservation, drainage like treatment, water harvesting, afforestation, pasture development, horticulture development, improvement of farming system, activities for livelihood support through agriculture production systems and micro enterprises as per the location specific requirement are taken up.