

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EARTH SCIENCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:462
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NATIONAL MISSION ON MONSOON
Siricilla Shri Rajaiah

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal for a National Mission to improve the accuracy of monsoon forecasts;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the present status thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES(DR. ASHWANI KUMAR)

(a) Yes Madam.

(b) The Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES) has finalized a detailed project report (DPR) to take up National Mission on Monsoon (NMM) to develop the most representative and advanced dynamic model framework for India for forecasting monsoon rainfall and its variability in various space and time scales.

(c) The approval of the Union Cabinet is being sought for this proposal upon obtaining the approval of the Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) and appropriate administrative and financial competent authorities of the Government.