

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether several schemes have been launched under the National Watershed Development Programme in the country including Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether the World Bank has approved new projects under the Watershed Development Programme for inclusion in the XHth Five Year Plan; and
- (d) if so, the details of the Watershed Development Programme approved by the World Bank for assistance?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Madam. Ministry of Agriculture is implementing National Watershed Development Project in Rainfed Areas (NWDPA) across the country including Rajasthan. State-wise number of micro watershed projects selected for implementation during XI Five Year Plan are at Annexure-I.
- (c) & (d): New Watershed Development Projects with assistance of World Bank under technical supervision of Ministry of Agriculture has not been approved for implementation during XII Five Year Plan. However, Executive Board of World Bank has approved an IDA credit of SDR 70.3 million (US \$ 109 million equivalent) for Rajasthan Agricultural Competitiveness Project on 27.3.2012. This Project includes component on water management.