

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1853  
ANSWERED ON:23.08.2012  
RECHARGE OF GROUNDWATER IN ODISHA  
Biswal Shri Hemanand

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

- (a) the total number of districts of Odisha covered under Artificial Recharge Project launched under the Central Sector Scheme of Central Ground Water Board (CGWB) and the details thereof;
- (b) the funds allocated and released under the said scheme; and
- (c) the time by which the project is likely to be completed?

**Answer**

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

- (a) Under Central Sector Scheme of Ground Water Management & Regulation implemented during XI Plan, demonstrative projects on rain water harvesting and artificial recharge have been sanctioned in 10 districts of Odisha. A total of 14 projects for construction of 128 recharge structures of various types including cross bund, recharge wells, check dams, recharge tanks, recharge pits, loose boulder dams, recharge shafts, recharge ponds, recharge tanks with shaft, percolation tank and roof top rain water harvesting with recharge shaft and trench have been approved in the State.
- (b) Total cost of the approved projects was Rs. 464.36 lakh, against which a sum of Rs. 325.038 lakh has been released as first installment to the State implementing agency, Directorate of Ground Water Survey & Investigation. Project wise details of total approved cost and funds released are given in Annexure I.
- (c) All the projects are likely to be completed by the end of March, 2013.