

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

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UTILISATION OF WATER RESOURCES

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

- (a) the percentage of water resources utilised in the States as on date especially river water, State-wise;
- (b) the details of the schemes formulated by the Government for augmentation of water resources, Statewise;
- (c) the amount likely to be spent on each of these schemes, State-wise;
- (d) the percentage of cultivable land likely to be irrigated as a result thereof, State-wise; and
- (e) the details of national average of utilisation of ground water and the percentage of utilisation of ground water in West Bengal and North Eastern States?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES ( SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

- (a) The details of the percentage of water resources utilisation in the States is not maintained by the Central Government.
- (b) Water being a State subject, several steps for augmentation, conservation and efficient management to ensure sustainability of water resources are undertaken by the respective State Governments. In order to supplement the efforts of the State Governments, Government of India provides technical and financial assistance to State Governments to encourage sustainable development and efficient management of water resources through various schemes and programmes namely "Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) for major & medium irrigation projects", "AIBP for minor irrigation projects", "Command Area Development and Water Management Programme" and "Repair, Renovation and Restoration of Water Bodies".
- (c) Allocation of funds for XII Five Year Plan has not been finalized so far.
- (d) Does not arise in view of the reply to part (c).
- (e) As per the latest assessment of ground water resources carried out jointly by the State Governments and the Central Ground Water Board, as on 2009, National average of utilization is 61 percent of the annually available ground water resources. The Percentage utilization of ground water in West Bengal and North Eastern States is given in Annexure .