

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

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MINOR IRRIGATION PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of minor irrigation projects sanctioned during the current Five Year Plan, State-wise;
- (b) the amount allocated for the same during each of the last three years, Statewise; and
- (c) the time by which these projects are likely to be completed, project-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) The irrigation projects including minor irrigation projects are undertaken by the respective State Governments as per their own priorities. Ministry of Water Resources do not maintain the records of minor irrigation projects sanctioned by the State during the current Five Year Plan. However, with a view to encourage the completion of ongoing projects and help states in creation of irrigation potential, Govt. of India provides financial assistance under Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme(AIBP). In case of minor irrigation schemes, the central assistance (grant) to states is provided to the projects in the case of North-Eastern Region, hilly states (Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir and Uttarakhand), Undivided Koraput, Bolangir and Kalahandi (KBK) districts of Orissa and projects benefitting tribal areas and drought prone areas. The State-wise details of number of Minor Irrigation Projects included under AIBP during 2012-13 upto 26.11.2012 are given in Annexure-I.

(b) State-wise details of Approved Outlay for Minor Irrigation during last three years are given in Annexure-II.

(c) The target date for completion of Minor Irrigation Schemes included under AIBP during 2012-13 is 31st March, 2015.