

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

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REVIVAL OF WATER RESOURCES
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the schemes/projects undertaken by the Government to increase/ expand/revive water resources in various parts of the country including Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) whether the Government has received proposals from various States for grant of special package for drinking water; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) The Ministry of Water Resources, Government of India has launched various State Sector schemes for augmentation/expansion/revival of water resources in various parts of the country including Andhra Pradesh. These schemes include the Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) programme, scheme of Repair, Renovation and Restoration (RRR) of water bodies and Command Area Development & Water management programme (CAD&WM).

Government of India is implementing a Central Sector Plan scheme for "Ground Water Management and Regulation" (the scheme renamed as Ground Water Management & Regulation during XI Plan), under which demonstrative projects on artificial recharge and rain water harvesting are taken up. A scheme for "Artificial Recharge of Ground Water through Dugwells" was also launched by the Government of India in the year 2008 in seven states.

(b) & (c) As per the information received from Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation, in 2012-13 the Government has received proposals for additional financial assistance from the States of Karnataka, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Punjab, Haryana and Rajasthan for drinking water supply to tackle the situation arising out of drought, the details of which are given at Annexure-I. Against this, in 2012-13, after obtaining approval from the Empowered Group of Ministers (EGOM) on drought, the Govt. of India has released financial assistance under National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) component (advancement of 2nd installment) and NRDWP calamity component to tackle the drought situation, the details of which are also given at Annexure-I.