

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
FINANCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1202  
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NABARD LOAN TO IRRIGATION SECTOR  
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**Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether any loan has been provided by the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) for irrigation projects under Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF) to States during the last three years and the current year including Maharashtra and Karnataka ;
- (b) if so, the details thereof year-wise, State-wise;
- (c) the details of projects on which this amount has been spent, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to provide more funds to States for irrigation projects during the current financial year; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof State-wise?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) to (c): State wise details of the number of projects sanctioned, total amount sanctioned and disbursed in the last three years, 2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12 and for the current year 2012-13 (upto 31 October 2012), including of Maharashtra and Karnataka is indicated in Annex.

(d) & (e): No specific allocation is made under RIDF for irrigation projects. During the year 2012-13, allocation of Rs.15,000 crore has been made under RIDF XVIII. The State Governments can take loan within the allocation for eligible activities, which include irrigation also.