

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

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RESEARCH FOR WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT  
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**Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has launched any scheme/programme for Research and Development of Water Resources Management across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including funds allocated and spent during the last three years; and
- (c) the targets fixed and achieved during the last three years, State-wise?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES ( SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) Yes Madam, Government of India operates a Plan Scheme namely 'Research and Development Programme in water Sector' under Ministry of Water Resources with the objective to find solutions to the country's water resources related problems, to improve available technology and engineering methods and procedures, to maintain a lead in the latest technology etc.

(b) Under Plan Scheme 'Research and Development Programme in Water Sector':

(i) Ministry of Water Resources provides fund for taking up the research work on specific & identified regional problems in water sector through its apex organizations namely Central Water and Power Research Station, Pune; Central Soil and Materials Research Station, New Delhi; National Institute of Hydrology, Roorkee and Central Water Commission.

(ii) Ministry of Water Resources also provides financial assistance to promote research work in the field of Water Resources Engineering. The assistance is provided by way of grants to academicians/ experts in the Universities, IITs, Recognized R&D laboratories, Water Resources/ Irrigation departments of the Central and State Governments and NGOs. Research proposals of applied nature as well as basic research are considered for support through three Indian National Committees (INCs) on Surface water, Ground water and Climate change.

(iii) The Ministry also supports various academic institutions/ research organizations in organizing Seminar/ Symposium, workshop etc on important water related issues and other mass awareness programme. During the last three years, an outlay of Rs.152.19 Crore was made against which expenditure of Rs. 108.19 Crore has been incurred.

(c) Targets are fixed as per the physical deliverables of the scheme instead of State-wise. During last three years, the physical targets and achievements of deliverables are enclosed as Annex .