

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

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NATIONAL WATER POLICY
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to chalk out a new water policy to check the misuse of water, harvest rain water and recycling of water in the country;
- (b) if so, the time by which the policy is likely to be implemented; and
- (c) if not, the intention of the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) The National Water Resources Council (NWRC) at its sixth meeting held on 28th December, 2012, based on the broader consensus that emerged among States, had adopted the National Water Policy (2012). The National Water Policy, 2012 inter alia recommends measures to check misuse of water, harvest rain water and recycling of water in the country.

(b) & (c) The National Water Policy, 2012 has made several recommendations for conservation, development and management of Water Resources in the country. Implementation of various recommendations would require different time periods. Implementation of the policy also requires the active co- operation and support of the States. Accordingly the National Water Policy, 2012 has been forwarded to all the States/ UTs and the concerned Ministries / Departments of Central Government for appropriate action.