

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

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AREA OF IRRIGATED LAND
Dhurve Jyoti

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the total area of irrigated land in the country benefited by minor irrigation, lift irrigation, water harvesting and recycled water projects; and

(b) the State/UT and year-wise total allocation made to the various States for various projects in this regard from the year 2005 till 2013?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) The total area of Irrigated land in the country benefited by minor irrigation as per 3rd Minor Irrigation Census report published in October 2005 was 51969.93 thousand hectares. Out of this, 2002.428 thousand hectares was from Surface Lift Irrigation Schemes.

(b) The State Governments are implementing water resources projects by utilizing their own resources. In addition the Union Government provides Central assistance to States under Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) for minor irrigation and lift irrigation as Annexure - I. Also central assistance is provided to the State Governments under Repair, Renovation and Restoration (RRR) of Water Bodies with domestic support with effect from 2009 as Annexure II. The details of Integrated Watershed Management Programme (IWMP) being implemented by the Ministry of Rural Development with effect from 26.02.2009, for development of rain fed/degraded areas are placed at annexure III.