

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:898  
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LIFT IRRIGATION PROJECTS  
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**Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:**

(a) the amount allocated by the Central Water Commission for lift irrigation projects like Maharashtra's Gosi Khurd, Lower Penganga, Lower Tapi during the last three years and the current year, project/ year-wise; and

(b) the progress achieved in the implementation of lift irrigation projects, project-wise?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER FOR WATER RESOURCES (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) & (b) The Government of India provides Central Assistance (CA) under Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) to the State Governments on their requests and as per the Guidelines of AIBP for completion of ongoing Major/Medium Irrigation (MMI) projects & surface Minor Irrigation schemes.

An amount of Rs. 1817.94 crore has been released under AIBP during the last three years (2010-11 to 2012-13) and the current year (2013-14) to Gosikhurd Irrigation Project of Maharashtra. Lower Penganga and Lower Tapi irrigation projects are not included under AIBP.

An irrigation potential of 37111 ha has been created by Gosikhurd Irrigation project upto March 2013 as reported by the project authorities.