

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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NATIONAL WATERSHED DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has initiated a number of schemes under the National Watershed Development Programme in backward and rural areas of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof till date, State-wise;
- (c) the names of the schemes along with the allocation of funds during each of the last three years, State/scheme-wise; and
- (d) the progress made so far in the implementation of the said scheme, scheme-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARIQ ANWAR)

(a) & (b): Ministry of Agriculture was implementing two major watershed programmes namely National Watershed Development Project for Rainfed Areas (NWDPR) and Soil Conservation in the Catchments of River Valley Project & Flood Prone River (RVP & FPR) in the country as part of the Scheme of Macro Management of Agriculture (MMA) which has been discontinued from 1st April, 2013. Ministry of Rural Development is also implementing Integrated Watershed Management Programme (IWMP).

(c) & (d): The State wise and scheme wise details of funds released/expenditure reported in each of the last three years is given at Annexure I to III. Since inception about 11.03 Mha and 7.90 Mha area have been treated under NWDPR and RVP&FPR respectively. Under IWMP, 6153 projects covering 29.21 Mha have been sanctioned till 31st March, 2013.