GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WATER RESOURCES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3106 ANSWERED ON:29.08.2013 LAND AREA UNDER IRRIGATION Ajnala Dr. Rattan Singh

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) the percentage of cultivated land area that is covered by irrigation in different areas of Punjab;
- (b) the addition to areas covered by irrigation during the Eleventh Plan and the area proposed in the 12th Plan for the State; and
- (c) the cost per acre of providing irrigation during the last two Five year Plans?

Answer

THE MINISTER FOR WATER RESOURCES (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

- (a) As per the information available on the website of Ministry of Agriculture & Cooperation, Government of India, the percentage of cultivated land area that is covered by the Irrigation in different areas of Punjab is about 97.03%. The district wise detail is at Annexure.
- (b) As per the Twelfth Five Year Plan (2012-17) of the State of Punjab Volume-I Chapter-3 'Irrigation & Flood Control', during the 11th Plan, about 157 thousand hectares has been brought under irrigation and that the Twelfth Five Year Plan envisages creation of irrigation potential of about 300 thousand hectares as also the restoration of an irrigation potential of about 660 thousand hectares.
- (c) Cost per hectare/acre of providing irrigation facilities varies from project to project depending upon several factors including topography, location of Command area etc.