

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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DROUGHT PRONE AREAS  
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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has identified the drought prone areas in the country during the last three years and the current year for implementing Drought Prone Area Programme keeping in view the present drought condition;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, district and State-wise; and
- (c) the present status and the amount released under this programme for drought prone districts, district and State-wise?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT(SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI)

(a) & (b) During last three years and current year, the Ministry of Rural Development has not identified any new district in the country for implementing Drought Prone Areas Programme (DPAP).

(c) Presently, three area development programmes namely DPAP, DDP and IWDP of the Department of Land Resources have been consolidated into a single programme called Integrated Watershed Management Programme (IWMP).

State-wise and district-wise funds released under DPAP in the areas which were identified before are given at Annexure-I.