

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3165  
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SHORTAGE OF DRINKING WATER  
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**Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the backward/tribal andnaxal-affected areas of the country havebeen severely affected by shortage of safedrinking water;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UTwise;
- (c) whether the Government proposeto start a special programme or providespecial fund for supply of drinking waterin these areas;  
and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not,the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION (SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV )

(a) and (b ) The Ministry does not maintain data regarding coverage of rural habitations with drinking water supply in the country in terms of backwardness. As a whole, there is a shortage of drinking water in some rural habitations of the country . Shortage of drinking water to a rural habitation can be defined as a habitation where all the population is not being provided with the potable drinking water of 40 litres per capita per day (lpcd). The Ministry has an online Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) in which States have reported status of rural habitations in terms of coverage of adequate and potable drinking water supply as fully covered, partially covered and quality affected habitations. As far as Scheduled Tribes concentrated habitations are concerned, as reported by the State in the Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) of the Ministry, the details of State /UT-wise coverage of tribal habitations as on 1.4.2014 are at Annexure-I.

Under National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP), States have been urged to give special emphasis to coverage of habitations in the 88 districts which have been included under the Integrated Action Plan (IAP) Programme. As reported by the States in the on-line Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) of the Ministry, during the year 2013-14, against a target of coverage of 29,175 habitations 35,727 habitations were covered in the IAP districts . In 2014-15, (as on 07.12.2014) against a target of 38,155 habitations 14,275 habitations have been covered.

(c) & (d) Yes Sir, Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation is implementing a project of 10000 "Solar Energy based Dual Pump Piped Water Supply Schemes" in 88 IAP districts of 9 States. The Scheme started in 2013 and as on today coverage of 4,038 habitations have been completed. This scheme is being funded from National Clean Energy Fund (NCEF) , NRDWP (Central Share)and State Government in the ratio of 40:30:30 of which NCEF component is 40%. Details of progress made by the State as on 07.12.2014 is at Annexure-II.