

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:131  
ANSWERED ON:08.12.2015  
Micro Irrigation  
Bhaleram Shri Dharambir

**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has recently launched micro irrigation programme and if so, the salient features thereof;
- (b) the financial assistance given to the States/UTs under the programme during the current year;
- (c) the area of land likely to be brought under this programme in each State/UT during the next three years; and
- (d) the assistance sought from Israel/ other countries for promotion of micro irrigation in the country?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE  
श्री श्रद्धा मोहन सिंह (SHRI RADHA MOHAN SINGH)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 131 DUE FOR REPLY ON 8TH DECEMBER, 2015.

(a): The Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation was launched in January, 2006 with the objective to enhance water use efficiency in the agriculture sector by promoting drip & sprinkler irrigation technologies. This was up-scaled to National Mission on Micro Irrigation (NMMI) in June, 2010, which continued till the financial year 2013-14. NMMI was subsumed under National Mission on Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) and implemented as "On Farm Water Management" (OFWM) during the financial year 2014-15. From 1st April 2015, Micro Irrigation component of OFWM has been subsumed under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) under the programme component "Per Drop More Crop". The salient features of this programme are as under:-

(i) The rate of subsidy comprising of both Central Govt. and State Govt. grant is given in the table below:-

S. No Category of Area Category of Beneficiaries Rate of Subsidy

1. Drought Prone Area Programme (DPAP)

/ Desert Development Programme (DDP) Areas and North Eastern & Himalayan (NE&H) States Small & Marginal Farmers 60%

Other than Small & Marginal Farmers 45%

2. Non-DPAP/DDP / NE&H Regions Small & Marginal Farmers 45%

Other than Small and marginal Farmers 35%

(ii) The funding pattern is 60:40 (all States except North Eastern & Himalayan States) and 90:10 (North Eastern & Himalayan States) between Central Govt. share and State Govt. share.

(iii) Support to each farmer is restricted to 5 Ha.

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(b): The Budget Estimates of Central Government share for implementation of scheme in all States / UTs during current financial year is Rs. 1000 crore.

(c): State-wise Annual Action Plans (AAP) are prepared by all States for each financial year to set target regarding area of land likely to be brought under micro irrigation. The target area to be covered under micro irrigation is approximately 5 lakh hectare during 2015-16.

(d): No assistance has been sought from any foreign country for promotion of micro irrigation in our country.

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