GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFAGRICULTURE RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO12.11.2010 ANSWERED ON

DRIP AND SPRINKLER IRRIGATION.

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Will the Minister of COALCOALCOALCOALCOALAGRICULTURE be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Micro Irrigation (MIS) during Eleventh Five Year Plan in the country for execution of drip and sprinkler irrigation system in an area of 14.32 lakh ha and 14.21 lakh ha respectively;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) to what extent the target has been achieved; and
- (d) the extent of area covered under the Scheme in Andhra Pradesh along with the funds released?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION)

(SHRI K.V. THOMAS)

- (a) & (b):Yes, Sir. The Government has launched a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on National Mission on Micro Irrigation (NMMI) during Eleventh plan period forexecution of drip and sprinkler system in the country. Under NMMI, financial assistance is provided @ 60% of system cost for small and marginal farmers and @ 50% for general farmers in the ratio of 50:10 and 40:10 shared between Central Government and State Government respectively. The remaining portion is borne by the beneficiary either by his/her own resources or through financial institution. The assistance is limited to a maximum area of five ha per beneficiary.
- (c):So far, an area of 18.84 lakh ha have been achieved.
- (d):Andhra Pradesh has covered an area of 433587 ha under micro irrigation with the central assistance of Rs.364.60 crore during XI plan period.