

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF LAND RESOURCES

**RAJYA SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1551  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.01.2018

**Status of Karnataka Watershed Development Project**

**1551. SHRI K.C. RAMAMURTHY:**

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Karnataka Watershed Development Project-II has been taken up with financial assistance from the World Bank;
- (b) if so, the details and the present status of the project; and
- (c) by when it is likely to be completed and the details of the benefits to farmers in Karnataka out of this project?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
(SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a) to (c): Karnataka Watershed Development Project-II (Sujala-3) has been taken up with financial assistance from the World Bank by Government of Karnataka.

Total outlay of the project is Rs.514.40 crore (85.70 million US\$), of which 70% i.e. Rs.360.10 crore (60.00 million US\$) is International Development Association (IDA) credit (Credit No: 5087-IN) and the rest 30%, i.e. Rs.154.30 crore (25.70 million US\$) being share of Government of Karnataka.

The project is under implementation in 1931 micro watersheds in 11 project districts (Bidar, Kalaburagi, Yadagir, Raichur, Koppal, Vijayapura, Gadag, Davanagere, Tumkur, Chikkamagaluru and Chamarajanagara) since 2012-13. As per the Project Agreement the project shall be ending in December 2018.

The project aims at providing scientific planning tools through generation of data of Land Resource Inventory (LRI), Hydrological studies, Baseline studies and weather data etc., and enables institutions to develop participatory Micro watershed plans to ensure more accurate and effective implementation of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana- Watershed Development Component. The project activities mainly focus on the utilisation of the scientific data generated under the project for establishment of Digital Library, Decision Support System (DSS) and Land Resource Inventory Portal for the benefit of farmers and line departments.

Details of physical and financial progress are given in **Annexure**.

Details of benefits to the farmers in Karnataka out of this project are as follows:

- i. Parcel-wise land resources and hydrology data generated under the project will facilitate selection of suitable crop, input application, soil and water conservation measures, etc.,
- ii. Incremental change in agriculture and horticulture productivity in project areas
- iii. Availability of scientific data for planning and implementation of the watershed development activities in farmers fields provided through Digital Library, Decision Support System and Land Resource Inventory Portal.

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**Annexure referred to in reply to parts (a) to (c) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred  
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**Details of physical and financial progress of Karnataka Watershed Development  
Project-II (Sujala-3)**

**Physical progress:**

Sr. No.	Particulars		Total number
1.	No. of micro watersheds – LRI completed	Target	2531
		Achievement	1519
2.	No. of atlases submitted	Target	2531
		Achievement	775

**Financial progress:**

(Rs. in lakhs)

Year	Budget Allocation	Grant Released (upto 31.10.2017)	Expenditure (upto 25.11.2017)
2017-18	10000.00	4951.25	2856.66
Total (since inception)	30853.00	22919.75	19194.26

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