

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2312
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2017

CONSTRUCTION OF FARM PONDS

2312. SHRI C.N. JAYADEVAN:

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

- (a) whether out of a target to construct 12.4 lakh farm ponds in the financial year 2017, only 4.5 lakhs have been constructed so far;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to construct another 5 lakh farm ponds as announced in the present budget and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the measures being taken to ensure the asset quality and utility of the ponds constructed?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a): In current financial year 2016-17, a national target of constructing 5 lakh farm ponds under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) was kept. Against this, States/UTs in their annual Labour Budget and shelf of works for the year 2016-17 has kept the target of construction of 8,82,325 farm ponds.

(b): State/UT-wise details of the construction of farm ponds in the financial year 2016-17 (as on 14.03.2016) is given at **Annexure**.

(c): Ministry has kept target of 5 lakh farm ponds for financial year 2017-18 and it has been considered by the States/UTs while preparing their Labour Budget for the financial year 2017-18.

(d): The following measures has been taken to ensure the asset quality and utility of the ponds constructed:

- Ministry has imparted training to State Technical Resource Teams (STRTs) on works permitted under MGNREGA including the construction of Farm ponds.
- The Ministry has issued suggestive estimate and drawing on construction of farm ponds.
- Geo-MGNREGA has been introduced to geotag the assets created under MGNREGA.

Annexure referred in reply to part (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2312 dated 16.03.2017.

SI. No.	States	Farm Ponds (In Nos.)	
		Target (FY 2016-17)	Completed (as on 14.03.2017)
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	250000	261627
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	1108	276
3	ASSAM	13239	211
4	BIHAR	15000	1452
5	CHHATTISGARH	55000	7426
6	GOA	25	0
7	GUJARAT	27516	2494
8	HARYANA	61	239
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	10361	7404
10	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	1885	457
11	JHARKHAND	128132	86531
12	KARNATAKA	111340	13669
13	KERALA	5000	1855
14	MADHYA PRADESH	50000	14086
15	MAHARASHTRA	1000	5076
16	MANIPUR	2724	226
17	MEGHALAYA	300	182
18	MIZORAM	2131	329
19	NAGALAND	603	3
20	ODISHA	20340	12671
21	PUNJAB	1581	7
22	RAJASTHAN	25000	21280
23	SIKKIM	0	0
24	TAMIL NADU	17500	2428
25	TELANGANA	25000	23826
26	TRIPURA	18700	1243
27	UTTAR PRADESH	5705	9261
28	UTTARAKHAND	3814	690
29	WEST BENGAL	88948	26573
30	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	307	0
31	LAKSHADWEEP	0	0
32	PUDUCHERRY	5	3
	Total	882325	501525