

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES,
RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †3955
ANSWERED ON 10.08.2017

ILLEGAL BORING

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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the water level has sharply depleted in several parts of the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether illegal boring is rampantly going on in Delhi and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any step to check the same; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION

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(a) Central Ground Water Board (CGWB) carries out ground water monitoring, four times a year, on regional scale through a network of observation wells in the Country. Comparison and analysis of Pre-monsoon (2017) water level data collected by CGWB with the decadal average (2007-2016) indicates decline in ground water level in about 61% of the wells.. Details are given at **Annexure**.

(b) to (d) Regulation of ground water extraction in Delhi is being dealt by the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi (GNCTD). The Deputy Commissioner (Revenue) of each revenue area of GNCTD have been delegated with the powers of dealing with violations, sealing illegal wells and launching of prosecution against offenders etc. Complaints of illegal borings are looked into by the Deputy Commissioners (Revenue) on merit.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in reply part (a) of Unstarred Q.No. 3955 to be answered in Lok Sabha on 10.08.2017 regarding “Illegal Boring”.

**State-wise Decadal Water Level Fluctuation
With Mean [Premonsoon (2007 to 2016)] and Premonsoon 2017**

S. No.	Name of State	No. of wells Analysed	Rise		Fall		Wells showing no change	
			No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
1	Andhra Pradesh	751	184	25	563	75	4	0.5
2	Arunachal Pradesh	12	9	75	3	25	0	0.0
3	Assam	164	71	43	92	56	1	0.6
4	Bihar	625	362	58	258	41	5	0.8
5	Chandigarh	10	1	10	9	90	0	0.0
6	Chhattisgarh	566	219	39	346	61	1	0.2
7	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	16	6	38	10	63	0	0.0
8	Daman & Diu	11	7	64	4	36	0	0.0
9	Delhi	94	33	35	61	65	0	0.0
10	Goa	65	50	77	15	23	0	0.0
11	Gujarat	799	301	38	473	59	25	3.1
12	Haryana	302	95	31	207	69	0	0.0
13	Himachal Pradesh	90	33	37	57	63	0	0.0
14	Jammu & Kashmir	226	75	33	151	67	0	0.0
15	Jharkhand	218	90	41	128	59	0	0.0
16	Karnataka	1421	423	30	985	69	13	0.9
17	Kerala	1366	405	30	957	70	4	0.3
18	Madhya Pradesh	1318	660	50	658	50	0	0.0
19	Maharashtra	1562	667	43	887	57	8	0.5
20	Meghalaya	20	6	30	14	70	0	0.0
21	Odisha	1283	506	39	773	60	4	0.3
22	Pudducherry	5	0	0	5	100	0	0.0
23	Punjab	234	36	15	198	85	0	0.0
24	Rajasthan	859	431	50	428	50	0	0.0
25	Tamil Nadu	536	71	13	465	87	0	0.0
26	Telangana	586	315	54	267	46	4	0.7
27	Tripura	26	18	69	8	31	0	0.0
28	Uttar Pradesh	637	187	29	450	71	0	0.0
29	Uttarakhand	46	21	46	24	52	1	2.2
30	West Bengal	617	327	53	289	47	1	0.2
Total		14465	5609	38.8	8785	60.7	71	0.5