GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2769

TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2018

Desilting of Lakes and Ponds

2769. SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of steps taken by the Union Government for desiltation and deepening of existing ponds and lakes across the country;
- (b) the details of various schemes being implemented by the Government in this regard; and
- (c) the total fund allocated and spent in last three years for the purpose, years and State/UT-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) & (b) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) is currently implementing a scheme namely, National Plan for Conservation of Aquatic Eco-systems (NPCA) for conservation and management of identified lakes and wetlands in the country on cost sharing basis between Central Government and respective State Governments. The scheme covers various activities such as interception, diversion and treatment of wastewater, shoreline protection, lake front development, in-situ cleaning i.e. desilting & deweeding, storm water management, bioremediation, catchment area treatment, lake beautification, survey & demarcation, biofencing, fisheries development, weed control, biodiversity conservation, education and awareness creation, community participation, etc.

Further, works related to water resources development & management are planned, funded, executed and maintained by the State Governments themselves as per their own resources and priorities. In order to supplement the efforts of the State Governments, the Union Government (through Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation) provides technical and financial assistance to State Governments to encourage sustainable development and efficient management of water resources through various schemes and programmes such as Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) and scheme for Repair, Renovation and Restoration (RRR) of water bodies under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY). The RRR of water bodies scheme has multiple objectives like comprehensive improvement and restoration of water bodies thereby increasing the tank storage capacity, ground water recharge, increased availability of drinking water, improvement of catchment areas of tank commands etc.

(c) The Details of funds released (central assistance) under NPCA and RRR schemes during last three years are given in **Annexure-I** and **Annexure-II** respectively. The Central Assistance released is as per the proposals received from the State Governments and budget availability.

Annexure-I

Annexure-I referred to in reply to part (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.2769 to be answered on 03.08.2018 regarding 'Desilting of Lakes and Ponds' raised by Shri Abhishek Singh.

<u>Details of funds released (central assistance) for conservation & management of lakes and wetlands under NPCA in last three years</u>

(In Rs. crore)

S. No.	State	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
1	Bihar	-	-	3.60724
2	Gujarat	1.585	-	-
3	Haryana	0.285	0.652	0.1320
4	H.P.		0.870	0.98989
5	Jammu & Kashmir	15.00	-	23.8201
6	Karnataka	-	2.28	-
7	Kerala	-	-	2.07075
8	Madhya Pradesh	4.90	12.00	0.9240
9	Manipur	0.465	1.031	0.9280
10	Mizoram	1.08	0.585	0.9846
11	Maharashtra	-	-	8.74397
12	Nagaland	-	0.42	-
13	Odisha	-	0.399	6.1846
14	Puducherry	0.415	0.10	0.30
15	Punjab	1.521	-	-
16	Rajasthan	10.95	13.56	1.54
17	Sikkim	0.779	0.714	1.8374
18	Tamil Nadu	-	-	1.05795
19	Uttar Pradesh	1.241	26.172	2.50
20	West Bengal	0.918	1.013	-
	Total	39.139	59.796	55.6205

Annexure-II

Annexure-II referred to in reply to part (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.2769 to be answered on 03.08.2018 regarding 'Desilting of Lakes and Ponds' raised by Shri Abhishek Singh.

<u>Details of funds released (central assistance) under RRR of water bodies scheme under PMKSY (HKKP) in last three years</u>

(in Rs. crore)

S. No.	State	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
1	Meghalaya	0.00	0.00	2.66
2	Odisha	54.75	0.00	3.00
3	Rajasthan	35.93	0.00	14.30
4	Tamil Nadu	9.22	0.00	0.00
5	Telengana	44.88	0.00	59.68
6	Uttar Pradesh	16.41	0.00	0.00
	Total	161.19	0.00	79.64