

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1739**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.12.2018**

**Government Assistance**

1739. SHRI KODIKUNNILSURESH:

Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is providing targeted assistance to Kuttanad region as a special case for revamping the end to end piped drinking water distribution system with a component allocation for repairing of existing lines in view of the damages suffered by the region in the floods;
- (b) whether the Government received any recommendation or proposal for the same from the Government of Kerala in this regard; and
- (c) if so, the city-wise response of the Government thereto?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION**  
**(SHRI RAMESH CHANDAPPA JIGAJINAGI)**

- (a) This Ministry supplements the efforts of the State Governments for improving coverage of rural drinking water supply by providing technical & financial assistance through Centrally Sponsored National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP). It is the State Governments which plan, design, approve, execute and operate & maintain the schemes. Fund from this Ministry are not provided for any specific region. However, there is a provision of giving 25% of NRDWP fund as Flexi fund which can be utilized for repairing water supply schemes during Natural Calamities.
- (b) & (c) No specific proposal has been received from Government of Kerala in this regard.