

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1578
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2ND JULY, 2019

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO DROUGHT AFFECTED STATES

1578. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has noticed that several parts of the country are affected by severe drought;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government is providing financial assistance to drought affected States;
- (d) if so, the details of such assistance given to various States during the last five years, State-wise and year-wise;
- (e) whether the Government has any plan to enhance the compensation/financial assistance to drought affected States; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (d): As per second India Meteorological Department (IMD) Long Range Forecast, released on 31.05.2019, rainfall over the country as a whole for the 2019 South-West Monsoon Season (June to September) is likely to be NORMAL (96% to 104% of the Long Period Average). No State has submitted any Memorandum seeking financial assistance from National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) during Kharif 2019 season. In the eventuality of drought and other natural calamities, the State Governments are empowered to initiate necessary relief measures from State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) which is readily available with them. Additional financial assistance, over and above SDRF, is considered from National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) on receipt of Memorandum from State Governments and in accordance with extant norms and procedures. Details of assistance sought by the States and assistance approved by the High Level Committee in respect of drought during the last five years i.e., 2014-15 to 2018-19, are at **Annexure –I**.

(e) & (f): Financial assistance for drought relief is provided on the basis of enhanced SDRF/NDRF norms issued by Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) on 08.04.2015. Currently, no such proposal is under consideration for changing the norms.

Annexure - I

Annexure referred to in reply to parts (a) to (d) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1578 for reply on 02.07.2019

(Rs. in crore)

Sl. No.	Name of State	Calamity	Assistance sought by the State Government	Central assistance approved by High Level Committee
During 2014-15				
1.	Haryana	Drought	4829.25	168.87
2.	Karnataka	Drought	779.20	200.85
3.	Uttar Pradesh	Drought	4819.49	777.34
4.	Maharashtra	Drought	6013.28	1962.99
5.	Andhra Pradesh	Drought	1532.00	237.51
	Total:		17973.22	3347.56
During – 2015-2016				
1.	Karnataka	Drought Drought-R	3830.84 1417.14	1540.20 723.23
2.	Chhattisgarh	Drought	6093.79	1276.25
3.	Madhya Pradesh	Drought	5114.53	2032.68
4.	Maharashtra	Drought-K Drought-R	6020.36 2251.66	3638.83 679.54
5.	Odisha	Drought	2344.99	815.00
6.	Telangana	Drought	2601.17	791.21
7.	Uttar Pradesh	Drought Drought-R	2057.79 1888.35	1304.52 622.76
8.	Andhra Pradesh	Drought	2000.56	433.77
9.	Jharkhand	Drought	2142.78	336.94
10.	Rajasthan	Drought	10537.02	1193.41
11.	Uttarakhand	Drought-R	91.97	70.22
	Total:		48392.95	15458.56
During – 2016-2017				
1.	Karnataka	Drought(K) Drought(R)	4702.54 3310.83	1782.44 795.544
2.	Andhra Pradesh	Drought(K)	2513.97	518.93
3.	Kerala	Drought(K)	1019.90	112.05
4.	Tamil Nadu	Drought(K)	39565.00	1748.28
5.	Rajasthan	Drought(K)	3660.97	588.34
6.	Puducherry	Drought(R)	150.52	17.70
	Total		54923.73	5563.28

During - 2017-18				
1.	Chhattisgarh	Drought(K)	4401.00	395.91
2.	Madhya Pradesh	Drought(K)	3705.95	836.09
3.	Rajasthan	Drought(K)	3078.26	526.14
4.	Andhra Pradesh	Drought (R)	679.19	113.14
5.	Uttar Pradesh	Drought (R)	678.98	157.23
Total			12543.38	2028.51
During - 2018-19				
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Drought (K)	1466.91	900.40
2.	Karnataka	Drought (K)	2434.00	949.49
3.	Maharashtra	Drought (K)	7902.77	4714.28
4.	Rajasthan	Drought (K)	2819.58	1206.62
5.	Gujarat	Drought (K)	4547.85	127.60
6.	Jharkhand	Drought (K)	1535.29	272.42
7.	Karnataka	Drought (R)	2064.30	*
Total			22770.70	8170.81
R: Rabi K: Kharif				
* Sent to MHA for placing the recommendations of SC-NEC before High Level Committee				