

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI,
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4169
ANSWERED ON 18.07.2019

ATAL BHUJAL YOJANA

4169. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes Atal Bhujal Yojana for sustainable management of ground water with community participation;
- (b) if so, the details and the purpose thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has identified the areas under the said Yojana and if so, the details thereof, State/UT/ location-wise;
- (d) the details of funding pattern between the Centre and the States; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government for sustainable ground water management in all districts of Bihar?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI & SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA)

(a) to (e) The World Bank has approved Atal Bhujal Yojana (ABHY), a Rs.6000 Crore Central Sector Scheme, for sustainable management of ground water resources with community participation. The funding pattern is 50:50 between Government of India and World Bank. The identified over-exploited (OE) and water stressed areas for the implementation of the scheme fall in the States of Gujarat, Haryana, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh.

ABHY envisages active participation of the communities in various activities such as formation of 'Water User Associations', monitoring and disseminating ground water data, water budgeting, preparation & implementation of Gram-Panchayat-wise water security plans and IEC activities related to sustainable ground water management. State-wise details are given in **Annexure**.

Water being a State subject, initiatives on sustainable ground water management is primarily States' responsibility. The important measures taken by the Central Government for conservation, management of ground water and effective implementation of rain water harvesting in the country are at the following URL:

http://mowr.gov.in/sites/default/files/Steps_to_control_water_depletion_Jun2019.pdf

ANNEXURE

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) to (e) of Unstarred Q.No. 4169 to be answered in Lok Sabha on 18.07.2019 regarding “Atal Bhujal Yojana”

State-wise details of Atal Bhujal Yojana

S.No.	State	Districts	Blocks	GPs	Area (in Sq. kms)
1	Haryana	13	36	1,895	12,650
2	Gujarat	6	24	1,816	18,122
3	Karnataka	14	41	1,199	39,703
4	Maharashtra	13	35	1,339	13,209
5	Rajasthan	17	22	876	53,386
6	Uttar Pradesh	10	26	550	13,134
7	Madhya Pradesh	5	9	678	8,319
	TOTAL	78	193	8,353	1,58,523
