GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5686 TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.07.2019

National Wetlands Conservation Programmes

5686. SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:

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

(a) the details about the National Wetlands Conservation Programme and funds allocated under the programme for the last three years;

(b) whether the Government has created any data registry about the number of wetlands in the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

(a) The Ministry had been providing financial assistance to the States/Union Territories under the National Wetlands Conservation Programme (NWCP) for conservation and management of identified wetlands in the country till the year 2012-13. To have better synergy and avoid overlap, the schemes of NWCP & National Lake Conservation Plan (NLCP) have been merged into new integrated scheme namely 'National Plan for Conservation of Aquatic Ecosystems' (NPCA) in February, 2013. So far, an amount of Rs. 969.90 crore has been released to the State Governments for various conservation and management activities in wetlands including lakes. State-wise details of funds released during last three years and the current financial year under the NPCA are annexed.

(b) & (c) Under the National Natural Resources Management System (NNRMS) programme, the Ministry had sanctioned a research project to Space Applications Centre (SAC) Ahmedabad, under which ISRO has carried out National Wetland Inventory and Assessment (NWIA) at 1:50,000 scale using Indian Remote Sensing Satellite during 2006-2011. The details were brought out as national and state level wetland inventory Atlases. A total of 7, 57,060 wetlands have been mapped in the Country. The total wetland area estimated is 15.26 million hectare that is around 4.63% of the geographical area of the country.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 5686 to be answered on Friday, the 26th July, 2019 on 'National Wetlands Conservation Programme' raised by Shri Manickam Tagore B.

Details of State-wise and year-wise funds released to the State Governments/Union Territories during last three years and current year for conservation and management of wetlands including lakes under NPCA scheme.

(Amt.	in	Rs.	Crores)
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S. No.	State	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
1	Bihar	-	3.60724	6.5965	-
2	Gujarat	-	-	-	-
3	Haryana	0.652	0.1320	1.4264	0.48
4	H.P.	0.870	0.98989	-	-
5	Jammu & Kashmir	-	23.8201	0.86565	-
6	Karnataka	2.28	-	-	-
7	Kerala	-	2.07075	-	-
8	Madhya Pradesh	12.00	0.9240	4.24669	1.56
9	Manipur	1.031	0.9280	3.852	-
10.	Mizoram	0.585	0.9846	1.2153	1.92
11.	Maharashtra	-	8.74397	4.91942	-
12.	Nagaland	0.42	-	10	-
13.	Odisha	0.399	6.1846	5.8072	-
14.	Puducherry	0.10	0.30	0.5	-
15.	Punjab	-	-	-	-
16.	Rajasthan	13.56	1.54	-	-
17.	Sikkim	0.714	1.8374	3.11818	-
18.	Tamil Nadu	-	1.05795	1.200884	
19.	Uttar Pradesh	26.172	2.50	18.680276	1.82
20.	West Bengal	1.013	-	0.9965	-
	Total	59.796	55.6205	63.425	-
	R&D	0.195825	0.342	0.5313106	0.25
	G. Total (Expenditure)	59.9918	55.9625	63.9563	6.03