

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI,  
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1751**  
ANSWERED ON 28.11.2019

**CONSERVATION OF RURAL WATER BODIES**

1751. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE  
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Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any new plan for conservation of rural water bodies and ground water recharge across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the concrete steps taken by the Government for sustainability of drinking water supply in rural areas of the country including Latur district of Maharashtra and Chatra District of Jharkhand?

**ANSWER**

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

(SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA)

(a) to (c) Government of India launched Jal Shakti Abhiyan which is a time bound campaign with a mission mode approach intended to improve water availability including ground water conditions in the water stressed blocks of 256 districts in India. In this regard, teams of officers from Central Government along-with technical officers from Ministry of Jal Shakti were deputed to visit water stressed districts and to work in close collaboration with district level officials to undertake suitable interventions for sustainable water management.

Water being a State subject, initiatives on water management including conservation and artificial recharge to ground water in the Country 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](http://mowr.gov.in/sites/default/files/Steps_to_control_water_depletion_Jun2019.pdf).

Rural water supply is a State subject and Government of India supplements the efforts of the States by providing financial and technical assistance. To enable every rural household to have Functional Household Tap Connection (FHTC) by 2024, Government of India has launched Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM), with an outlay of Rs.3.60 lakh Crore. This Mission, under the Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation, will focus on integrated demand and supply side management of water at the local level, including creation of local infrastructure for source sustainability like rainwater harvesting, groundwater recharge and management of household wastewater for reuse in agriculture.

Central Government supports construction of water harvesting and conservation works primarily through Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) and Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana – Watershed Development Component (PMKSY-WDC).

As per Management Information System (MIS), the detailed works of renovation of traditional water bodies completed during last five years under MGNREGS including in Maharashtra and Jharkhand is given at **Annexure I**.

As per information received from Ministry of Rural Development, as on 31.10.2019, Rs. 17751.75 crore has been released to States including Maharashtra and Jharkhand as Central share for implementation under PMKSY-WDC. State wise details of watershed projects sanctioned, area covered by the projects and funds released as Central share are given at **Annexure-II**. Further, as per the information received from the States, between 2014-15 to 2019-20 (upto Sept. 2019), total 6,08,384 water harvesting structures were created/rejuvenated. State wise details are given at **Annexure-III**.

The total projects sanctioned and area covered by the projects in Latur district of Maharashtra and Chatra District of Jharkhand under WDC-PMKSY is as under:

State	District	Total No. of Projects sanctioned	Area covered by the projects (in lakh hectare)
Maharashtra	Latur	41	1.70
Jharkhand	Chatra	6	0.34

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**ANNEXURE I**

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) to (c) of Unstarred Question No. 1751 to be answered in Lok Sabha on 28.11.2019 regarding “Conservation of rural water bodies”.

**Details of works of renovation of traditional water bodies completed during last five years under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS:**

Renovation of traditional water bodies						
SI. No.	States/UTs	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15
1	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR	1	3	6	10	4
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	19196	10126	23091	15346	13714
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	0	34	35	13	2
4	ASSAM	591	588	366	286	333
5	BIHAR	1637	1831	1353	1072	833
6	CHHATTISGARH	4527	5944	6068	2722	3770
7	GOA	5	27	88	103	97
8	GUJARAT	4724	5429	5435	3007	1727
9	HARYANA	410	445	645	272	400
10	HIMACHAL PRADESH	706	527	595	553	632
11	JAMMU & KASHMIR	509	1154	1127	1345	690
12	JHARKHAND	198	955	5024	1519	1528
13	KARNATAKA	6280	7450	8333	6917	6960
14	KERALA	6410	9382	25757	23269	22607
15	LAKSHADWEEP	0	1	0	0	1
16	MADHYA PRADESH	3845	2867	2013	992	1976
17	MAHARASHTRA	2518	2093	3409	2438	2035
18	MANIPUR	25	52	103	42	73
19	MEGHALAYA	144	201	264	152	152
20	MIZORAM	247	157	26	74	39
21	NAGALAND	1	50	30	29	3
22	ODISHA	1893	4726	9417	4268	3511
23	PUDUCHERRY	501	500	482	441	233
24	PUNJAB	2243	2592	3402	2102	1802
25	RAJASTHAN	2762	3288	6137	2985	3282
26	SIKKIM	0	0	0	2	3
27	TAMIL NADU	12433	47951	31757	35413	33736
28	TELANGANA	977	1967	5695	526	387
29	TRIPURA	133	463	976	2787	4814
30	UTTAR PRADESH	9073	10104	13639	7769	6456
31	UTTARAKHAND	1144	1225	672	516	359
32	WEST BENGAL	9958	18851	21495	20511	17811
	<b>Total</b>	93091	140983	177440	137481	129970

**ANNEXURE-II**

**Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) to (c) of Unstarred Question No. 1751 to be answered in Lok Sabha on 28.11.2019 regarding “Conservation of rural water bodies”.**

**State-wise details of watershed projects sanctioned, area covered by the projects and funds released as Central share to States under WDC-PMKSY (as on 31.10.2019)**

**(Area in million ha, Amount in Rs. crore)**

Sl. No	State	Sanctioned (from 2009-10 to 2014-15) <sup>@</sup>		Central share released (from 2009-10 to 2019-20) <sup>#</sup>
		Total no. of Projects	Area of the projects	
1	Andhra Pradesh*	432	1.810	1060.68
2	Arunachal Pradesh	156	0.467	244.33
3	Assam	372	1.577	492.75
4	Bihar	123	0.612	151.31
5	Chhattisgarh	263	1.195	307.88
6	Gujarat	610	3.103	1288.64
7	Haryana	88	0.362	98.70
8	Himachal Pradesh	163	0.840	283.58
9	Jammu & Kashmir <sup>^</sup>	159	0.652	230.82
10	Jharkhand	171	0.911	191.52
11	Karnataka	571	2.569	1894.70
12	Kerala	83	0.423	109.30
13	Madhya Pradesh	517	2.937	1497.49
14	Maharashtra	1186	5.128	2413.95
15	Manipur	102	0.491	149.10
16	Meghalaya	96	0.236	173.03
17	Mizoram	89	0.373	259.89
18	Nagaland	111	0.476	539.15
19	Odisha	310	1.700	1004.31
20	Punjab	67	0.314	60.42
21	Rajasthan	1025	5.764	2415.27
22	Sikkim	15	0.066	22.08
23	Tamil Nadu	270	1.368	924.94
24	Telangana*	330	1.399	590.30
25	Tripura	65	0.213	210.96
26	Uttarakhand	65	0.346	131.08
27	Uttar Pradesh	612	3.045	808.49
28	West Bengal	163	0.693	197.08
	<b>Total</b>	<b>8214</b>	<b>39.07</b>	<b>17751.75</b>

<sup>@</sup> Sanctioned under the erstwhile Integrated Watershed Management Programme (IWMP), which has been amalgamated as the Watershed Development Component (WDC) of the PradhanMantriKrishiSinchayeeYojana (PMKSY) with effect from 2015-16.

\*As per final audited details received from Andhra Pradesh and Telangana after bifurcation of erstwhile Andhra Pradesh.

<sup>^</sup>erstwhile Jammu & Kashmir

# including releases under the erstwhile IWMP

**ANNEXURE-III**

**Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) to (c) of Unstarred Question No. 1751 to be answered in Lok Sabha on 28.11.2019 regarding “Conservation of rural water bodies”.**

**State-wise details of WHS created/rejuvenated, additional area brought under irrigation and farmers benefitted under WDC-PMKSY during 2014-15 to 2019-20 (as on 30.09.2019)**

<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>WHS created / Rejuvenated (in Nos.)</b>
1	Andhra Pradesh**	192501
2	Arunachal Pradesh	588
3	Assam	6445
4	Bihar	4105
5	Chhattisgarh	8075
6	Gujarat	18575
7	Haryana	3191
8	Himachal Pradesh	9009
9	Jammu & Kashmir	3458
10	Jharkhand	3192
11	Karnataka	28410
12	Kerala	20766
13	Madhya Pradesh	26543
14	Maharashtra	10330
15	Manipur	10851
16	Meghalaya	2438
17	Mizoram	8201
18	Nagaland	2656
19	Odisha	21186
20	Punjab	336
21	Rajasthan	101098
22	Sikkim	169
23	Tamil Nadu	51350
24	Telangana	21220
25	Tripura	2548
26	Uttar Pradesh	22696
27	Uttarakhand	17009
28	West Bengal	11438
	<b>Total</b>	<b>608384</b>

Note: Provisional and subject to change (As per information received from States)

\*\*including achievements in convergence with MGNREGA in watershed area.

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