

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
 MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI,
 DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4043
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NATIONAL WATER MISSION

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Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has setup National Water Mission towards water conservation, augmentation and preservation of water in the country;
- (b) if so, the status of National Water Policy thereof; and
- (c) the present demand and supply of surface and ground water in the country along with the future trend and its availability for next 50 years?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA)

(a) & (b) The Government of India has set up National Water Mission in 2011 under National Action Plan for Climate Change. The main objective of the National Water Mission is conservation of water, minimizing wastage and ensuring its more equitable distribution both across and within States through integrated water resources development.

The National Water Policy formulated in 1987 envisages cognizance of the existing situation in water sector, to propose a framework for creation of a system of laws and institutions and a plan of action with a unified national perspective in planning, management and use of water resources. The National Water Policy was reviewed and revised in the year 2002 and 2012. The National Water Policy (2012) advocates conservation, promotion and protection of water. The National Water Policy has been forwarded to all States/ UTs and concerned Ministries/Departments for adoption.

(c) Demand and supply of surface and ground water in India and future trend and availability of water has been estimated as follows:

All figures in BCM

Average Water Resource Potential	Utilizable Water	Water Requirement (High Demand) Scenario	
		Year 2025	Year 2050
1999.2	Surface Water : 690 Ground Water : 447 Total : 1137	843	1180

BCM – Billion Cubic Meter.
