

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3102

ANSWERED ON 07.08.2025

DROUGHT IN BODOLAND TERRITORIAL REGION

3102. SHRI JOYANTA BASUMATARY

Will the Minister of **JAL SHAKTI** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Bodoland Territorial Region is facing acute drought even in the monsoon season and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is aware that this drought has impacted adversely on the rice transplantation/paddy farming and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to take some measures to provide immediate help through the irrigation system; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI RAJ BHUSHAN CHOUDHARY)

(a) & (b) The Bodoland Territorial Region (BTR) has witnessed deficient rainfall during the current monsoon season. The Government of Assam is actively monitoring water-stressed areas within the region. However, no official notification has been issued declaring a drought in BTR.

The deficient rainfall has had a partial impact on rice transplantation and paddy cultivation. According to information provided by the Government of Assam, approximately 258.9 hectares of paddy seedlings and 42 hectares of transplanted paddy crops have been adversely affected.

(c) & (d) The State Government of Assam is supplying water to agricultural fields across all five districts of the BTR through various irrigation schemes, covering a total area of 1,03,821 hectares.

In addition, the State Government is actively working to revive defunct irrigation schemes and enhance the performance of non-functional and partially functional ones. These efforts are being undertaken through convergence with the Departments of Agriculture, Panchayati Raj and Rural Development, and Revenue and Disaster Management, with the objective of making these schemes fully operational.

Furthermore, the Central Government is implementing several projects and schemes in the Bodoland Territorial Region under the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY), including the Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) and Har Khet Ko Pani – Surface Minor Irrigation (HKKP–SMI). These initiatives aim to strengthen water security and improve irrigation infrastructure across the region.

Details of the ongoing schemes in BTR under PMKSY–AIBP and PMKSY–HKKP (SMI) are provided at **Annexure.**

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) & (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3102 TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 07.08.2025 REGARDING “DROUGHT IN BODOLAND TERRITORIAL REGION”.

Status of Ongoing Schemes in BTR, Assam under PMKSY-AIBP/CADWM and PMKSY-HKKP(SMI)

| S.No. | Scheme | Estimated Cost (Cr) | | CCA (Ha) | District Benefitted | CA granted till date (Cr) | Status/Remark |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|------------------------|---|---------------------------|--|
| PMKSY-AIBP/CADWM Irrigation Projects | | | | | | | |
| 1 | ERM-Sukla Irrigation Project | Rs. 258.47Crore | | 4795 Ha | Tamulpur and Kamrup | Rs. 84.99 Cr | Sukla Irrigation Project originally Completed & it's ERM Ongoing |
| 2 | Dhansiri Irrigation Project | AIBP | Rs. 425.13 Cr | 38615 Ha | Udalguri | Rs. 226.60 Cr | Completed |
| | | CADWM | Rs. 151.99 Cr | 31115 Ha | | Rs. 9.73 Cr | Ongoing. CA Proposal has been received in FY 2025-26. |
| 3 | Borolia Irrigation Project | Rs. 256.16 Cr | | 9717 Ha | Tamulpur | Rs. 29.80 Cr | Partially completed (3300 Ha CCA created) |
| PMKSY-HKKP(SMI) Schemes | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 100 no. SMI schemes | Rs. 500.34 Cr | | 27831 Ha(Targeted IP) | Udalguri, Kokrajhar, Baksa, Chirang, Tamulpur | Rs. 44.43 Cr | 2 no. schemes completed. Irrigation Potential Created till date- 7035 Ha |
| 2 | 152 no. SMI schemes | Rs. 360.47 Cr | | 32357 Ha (Targeted IP) | Kokrajhar, Chirang, Baksa, Udalguri | Rs. 315.32 Cr | 144 no. schemes completed. Irrigation Potential Created till date - 28087 Ha |
| 3 | 15 no. SMI schemes | Rs. 198.507 Cr | | 16645 Ha (Targeted IP) | Kokrajhar, Chirang, Baksa, Udalguri | Rs. 172.60 Cr | 13 no. schemes completed. Irrigation Potential Created till date - 14184 Ha |
| 4 | 60 no. SMI schemes | Rs. 615.375 Cr | | 48184 Ha (Targeted IP) | Kokrajhar, Chirang, Baksa, Udalguri | Rs. 526.81 Cr | 55 no. schemes completed. Irrigation Potential Created till date - 41743 Ha |
