

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1444
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 26TH JULY, 2016

CONSTRUCTION OF FARMING POOLS

1444. DR. K. GOPAL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is constructing five lakh farming pools in view of the depleting water table in many parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has asked the farmers to adopt water conservation methods so that they did not suffer heavy losses in case of monsoon failure, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether it is also true that the Government is considering to provide grant to the farmers for the purpose of conservation of water; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. For the financial year 2016-17, a target of constructing 5 lakh farm ponds under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) was kept. States/Union territories in their annual labour budget and shelf of works for the year 2016-17 has kept the target of 8,82,325 farms ponds. The State wise details are annexed.

(c): State Governments have been advised to motivate farmers to adopt water conservations methods.

(d) & (e): Water harvesting and conservation activities are supported under the watershed component of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY). Besides, under the Per Drop More Crop component of PMKSY, farmers are given assistance for installation of micro irrigation system for conservation of water.

Annexure

Annexure to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1444 for reply on 26.07.2016 State wise target of farm ponds under MGNREGS for 2016-17

No. (1)	State (2)	No. of Works (3)
1	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR	307
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	250000
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	1108
4	ASSAM	13239
5	BIHAR	15000
6	CHHATTISGARH	55000
9	GOA	25
10	GUJARAT	27516
11	HARYANA	61
12	HIMACHAL PRADESH	10361
13	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	1885
14	JHARKHAND	128132
15	KARNATAKA	111340
16	KERALA	5000
17	LAKSHADWEEP	
18	MADHYA PRADESH	50000
19	MAHARASHTRA	1000
20	MANIPUR	2724
21	MEGHALAYA	300
22	MIZORAM	2131
23	NAGALAND	603
24	ODISHA	20340
25	PUDUCHERRY	5
26	PUNJAB	1581
27	RAJASTHAN	25000
28	SIKKIM	
29	TAMIL NADU	17500
30	TELANGANA	25000
31	TRIPURA	18700
32	UTTAR PRADESH	5705
33	UTTARAKHAND	3814
34	WEST BENGAL	88948
	Total	882325
