

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES

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ANSWERED ON

SURVEY REGARDING AVAILABILITY OF GROUND WATER .

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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether Government had made any survey regarding the availability of ground water level in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether Government allocate ground water use for domestic and industrial purpose;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (e) the details of the ground water available for development of future irrigation (ham/year)?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES

(SHRI VINCENT H. PALA)

(a) & (b) Assessment of ground water resource availability is carried out jointly by Central Ground Water Board and State Ground Water Organizations periodically. Assessments were carried out in 1980, 1995 and 2004. The State wise details as per last ground water resource assessment (2004) are given in Annexure-I

(c) & (d) Ministry of Water Resources does not allocate groundwater use for domestic and industrial purposes.

(e) Projected demand for domestic and industrial uses as in 2025 has been estimated and ground water availability for future irrigation has been worked out. Annual availability of ground water for future irrigation development has been assessed as 1.623 million hectare meters.