

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
FINANCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7300  
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NABARD LOAN FOR IRRIGATION PROJECTS  
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**Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether any amount has been provided by the NABARD for irrigation projects in Bihar during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details on which this amount is likely to be spent?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL) :

(a) and (b) National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) provides refinancing assistance to the banks for their onlending to farmers as well as loans to State Governments under Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF) for irrigation projects. The amount of refinance disbursed by NABARD to participating banks in Bihar under Minor Irrigation for the last three years is given below :

Year	Amount (Rs.lakhs)
1997-98	1623
1998-99	856
1999-2000	1004

The details of the irrigation projects sanctioned to Government of Bihar since the inception of the Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF), as reported by NABARD, are given below :

(Rs. crore)

Sanctions	RIDF-I	RIDF-II	RIDF-III	RIDF-IV	RIDF-V	Total
	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	
Minor Irrigation	22.17	-	62.31	21.43	105.91	
Major Irrigation			-	116.00	75.00	191.00
Total	22.17	62.31	116.00	96.43	296.91	

(c) The loans sanctioned out of RIDF are project specific and are on reimbursement basis. As per the terms and conditions of the sanction, amount sanctioned to a particular project has to be spent for the implementation of the same project.