

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1175  
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FUELWOOD AND FODDER SCHEME  
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**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether Bihar Government has made any provision to make payments towards its share under the Area Oriented Fuelwood and Fodder Scheme formulated by the Union Government; and

(b) if so, the time by which the Union Government is likely to pay its share therein?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABULAL MARANDI)

(a) The Government of Bihar has made following provisions towards the state matching share during the 9th Plan

(Rupees in lakh)

Year	Central Assistance provided by Bihar	Matching share Government of Bihar	Central assistance released to the Government of Bihar
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1997-98	162.12	472.44	146.51
1998-99	168.90	224.72	142.59
1999-2000	199.50	198.00	190.94
2000-2001	210.18	200.00	0.00

The central assistance released includes unspent balance of the previous years.

(b) During the year 2000-2001, Government of Bihar has confirmed the availability of State matching share of Rs. 200.00 lakh, but has not furnished the annual progress report and utilisation certificate for the year 1999-2000. Further release of central assistance during 2000-2001 to Bihar is dependent on receipt of above documents and satisfactory utilisation of funds by the State Government.