

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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WATER CONSERVATION SCHEMES

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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the names of the schemes related to water conservation being implemented by the Union Government in view of failure of monsoon in the country;
- (b) the salient features of such scheme;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps to replace these old water conservation schemes with a more effective scheme in order to achieve the desired results;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the names of the States in which the said scheme has since been launched; and
- (f) the funds allocation made for the purpose?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) to (f): Government of India is implementing various watershed development schemes for soil & water conservation and prevention of land degradation in the country. Since inception upto March 2005, an area of 28.533 million ha. has been developed with expenditure of Rs.14577.32 crore under these schemes. For these schemes, an amount of Rs. 6422.95 crore has been allocated for development of 21.40 million ha. area during Tenth Five Year Plan and Rs. 1497.00 crore is allocated to treat 3.36 million ha. area for 2005-06. The details of achievement and fund allocation for the existing schemes are Annexed.

These on-going schemes seek to apply techniques of soil & water conservation, prevention of land degradation, ground water recharge etc. These have improved the capacity of treated area to withstand ill effect of insufficient rain. While no new scheme is contemplated, the guidelines of the existing schemes have been drastically modified to provide still greater thrust on water conservation.

**ANNEXURE**

Statement indicating Target & Outlay for X Five Year Plan, Achievements since inception upto March, 2005 and Tentative Fund Allocation for 2005-06 for various Schemes of Watershed Development Programmes

(Phy. in Lakh ha. & Fin. in Rs. Crore)

S.No.	Name of the Programme	Tentative target X Plan	Target and Achievement since inception upto March,2005	Target and Achievement since inception upto March,2005	Target and Achievement since inception upto March,2005	Target and Achievement since inception upto March,2005	Target and Achievement since inception upto March,2005
		Phy.	Phy.	Phy.	Phy.	Fin.	Fin.

1.	NWDPRA	20.00	1000.00	79.34	2397.56	5.00	220.00
2.	RVP & FPR	12.0	800.00	60.87	1894.17	2.00	124.00
3.	WDPSCA	1.0	100.00	3.18	226.43	0.30	30.00
4.	RAS	1.0	100.00	6.59	96.64	0.20	7.00
5.	EAPs	0.00	0.00	23.63	4756.36	0.00	0.00
6.	DPAP	68.0	1500.00	26.29	1742.06	12.00	353.00
7.	DDP	44.0	1100.00	14.70	1301.01	6.00	268.00
8.	IWDP	68.0	1800.00	61.96	1310.20	8.00	485.00
9.	NAEPS	0.32	22.95	8.77	852.89	0.10	10.00
	TOTAL	214.32	6422.95	285.33	14577.32	33.60	1497.00

**Note: In case of EAPs outlay and target are not decided**

NWDPRA - National Watershed Development Project for Rainfed Areas

RVP & FPR - River Valley Projects & Flood Prone Rivers

WDPSCA - Watershed Development Project for Shifting Cultivation Areas

RAS - Reclamation of Alkali Soil

EAPs - Externally Aided Projects

DPAP - Drought Prone Area Programme

DDP - Desert Development programme

IWDP - Integrated Wasteland Development Project

NAEPS - National Afforestation & Eco-development Project Scheme