

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2901
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NDC MEET ON AGRICULTURAL POTENTIAL
Scindia Shri Jyotiraditya Madhavrao

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has examined the Madhya Pradesh Government's proposal, mooted at the recent National Development Council (NDC) meet for formulating a ten year plan for utilizing the irrigation potential fully;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the decisions taken thereon;
- (c) the total estimated irrigation potential of Indian rivers; and
- (d) the extent to which it is being utilized at present?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

- (a) & (b): No, Sir. No States specific proposals were discussed at the meeting of the National Development Council (NDC) held on 29.5.2007 to consider issues related to the Agriculture sector. The NDC deliberated upon a number of issues and passed a resolution, a copy of which is attached at Annexure-I.
- (c): The Ultimate Irrigation Potential by source and schemes is given in the Annexure- II.
- (d): As reported by the State Governments, an irrigation potential of 102.77 million hectares has been created by the States, upto 2006-07.