

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION & FARMERS WELFARE

**LOK SABHA**  
**STARRED QUESTION NO. 21**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 26<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2016

**DROUGHT IN STATES**

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of drought prevailing in various parts of the country, if so, the details thereof along with districts identified/declared drought affected, State-wise;
- (b) the details of the funds demanded, allocated and released by the Union Government to various drought affected States during the last three years, State-wise;
- (c) whether there has been some delay in the release of allocated funds to the States, if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor and the time by which the fund is likely to be released to these States;
- (d) whether the Government has prepared any contingency plan to deal with the drought caused by weak monsoon and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government is considering to introduce a standard administrative unit for declaration of drought and assessing crop yield and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री

(SHRI RADHA MOHAN SINGH)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 21 DUE FOR REPLY ON 26<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2016.**

(a): The State Government is primarily responsible for taking necessary relief measures in the wake of natural calamities. Government of India supplements efforts of State Government with financial assistance and logistic support. For undertaking relief measures, funds are available with the State Government in the form of State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF). Additional financial assistance, over and above SDRF, is considered from National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) for natural calamities of severe nature and is approved on the basis of Memorandum received from State Government in accordance with established procedure.

During the year 2015-16, Karnataka (both for Kharif and Rabi), Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Telengana, Uttar Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Jharkhand and Rajasthan, had submitted Memoranda on drought seeking financial Assistance from NDRF. Details regarding the number of districts declared drought affected by these States are at Annexure-I.

(b) & (c): The details regarding funds demanded and approved during last three years to various drought affected States are at Annexure-II.

During 2015-16, the net amount to be released after adjustment of that SDRF balance available with these states is Rs. 10,275.48 crore., of which Rs.6055.08 crore was released to the States by 31.3.2016, and the remaining Rs.4220.40 crores was released on 08.04.2016. The Central Government has further released total of Rs.2551.875 crore as first installment of the central share in the SDRF to the 10 drought affected States for 2016-17.

(d): Ministry of Agriculture through ICAR-Central Research Institute for Dryland Agriculture (CRIDA), Hyderabad has prepared detailed Crop Contingency Plans for 600 districts. States have been advised for updating Contingency Plans for each district wherever required in consultation with ICAR-CRIDA and the State Agriculture Universities and to prepare location specific remedial measures based on these contingency plans in the event of late arrival of Monsoon/long dry spells/scanty rainfall/drought conditions. These plans are available at the website of Dept. of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture as well as Central Institute for Dryland Agriculture (CRIDA), Hyderabad.

(e): The Manual for Drought Management 2009 recommends rainfall deficiency, extent of area sown, normalised difference vegetative index and moisture adequacy Index, as the four standard monitoring tools which could be applied in combination for drought declaration. However it is the State Governments that take the decision on the most appropriate administrative unit and the parameters for the declaration of drought.

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**STATE-WISE DETAILS OF DISTRICTS DECLARED DROUGHT AFFECTED  
DURING – 2015-16**

Sl. No.	Name of State/ total number of districts	Name of the affected districts	Total No. of districts affected
1.	Karnataka (30)	Bangalore Rural, Ramanagara, Kolar, Chickballapur, Tumakuru, Chitradurga, Davanagere, Chamarajanagar, Mysuru, Mandya, Ballari, Koppal, Raichur, Kalaburgi, Yadgir, Bidar, Belagavi, Bagalkote, Vijapura, Gadag, Haveri, Dharwad, Shivamogga, Hassan, Kodagu, Uttara Kannada, Chikkamagalur	27
		Ballari, Koppal, Raichuru, Kalaburagi, Yadagir, Bidar, Belagavi, Baglkote, Vijayapura, Gadag, Haveri, Dharwad.	12 (Rabi)
2.	Chhattisgarh (27)	Raipur, Gariaband, Mahasamund, Dhamtary, Durg, Balod, Bemetara, Rajnandgaon, Kabirdham, Bastar, Kondagaon, Narayanpur, Kanker, Dantewara, Sukma, Bijapur, Bilaspur, Mungeli, Janjgir-Chamap, Korba, Balrampur, Surajpur, Korla, Raigarh, Jashapur	25
3.	Madhya Pradesh (51)	Katni, Shahdol, Umaria, Anuppur, Tikamgarh, Rewa, Jabalpur, Sidhi, Sagar, Damoh, Seoni, Sigroli, Sheopur, Chhatarpur, Bhind, Panna, Satna, Dindori, Shivpuri, Mandsaur, Morena, Jhabua, Bhopal, Ujjain, Neemuch, Vidishia, Raisen, Rajgarh, Khandwa, Ratlam, Narsinghpur, Guna, Betul, Burhanpur, Agar Malwa, Sehore, Indore, Dhar, Shajapur, Harda, Chhindwara, Dewas, Ashoknagar, Khargone, Hoshangabad, Badwani	46
4.	Maharashtra (36)	Nashik, Dhule, Nandurbar, Jalgaon, Ahmednagar, Pune, Satara, Sangli, Aurangabad, Jalna, Beed, Latur, Osmanabad, Nanded, Parbhani, Hingoli, Buldhana, Akola, Yavatmal, Nagpur, Gadchiroli	21
5.	Odisha (30)	Angul, Balasore, Bargarh, Balangir, Boudh, Cuttack, Deogarh, Dhenkanal, Gajapati, Ganjam, Jajpur, Jharsuguda, Kalahandi, Kandhamal, Keonjhar, Khordha, Koraput, Mayurbhanj, Nuapada, Nabarangpur, Nayagarh, Puri, Rayagada, Sambalpur, Subarnapur, Sundargarh, Bhadrak	27
6.	Andhra Pradesh (13)	Anantapur, Chittoor, YSR Kadapa, Kurnool, Prakasam, SPSR Nellore, Guntur, Srikakulam, Vizianagaram, Krishna	10
7.	Uttar Pradesh (75)	Sant Ravidas Nagar, Sonbhadra, Sultanpur, Mirzapur, Ballia, Sidharthnagar, Shahjahanpur, Banda, Pratapgarh, Chandauli, Etawah, Basti, Baghpat, Jaunpur, Faizabad, Gonda, Kannauj, Barabanki, Sant Kabir Nagar, Jhansi, Jalaun, Gorakhpur, Hathras, Etah, Allahabad, Ghaziabad, Farrukhabad, Mau, Unnao, Rampur, Hamirpur, Lalitpur, Chitrakoot, Kanpur Nagar, Lucknow, Deoria, Mainpuri, Maharajganj, Agra, Auraiya, Pilibhit, Amethi, Mahoba, Rae Bareilly, Kushinagar, Kanpur Dehat, Kaushambi, Fatehpur, Ambedkar Nagar and Balrampur	50
8.	Telangana (10)	Mahabubnagar, Medak, Nizamabad, Ranga Reddy, Nalgonda, Karimnagar and Warangal	7
9.	Jharkhand (24)	Ranchi, Khunti, Lohardaga, Gumla, Simdega, West Singhbhum, Saraikela, East Singhbhum, Palamu, Garhwa, Latehar, Hazaribagh, Ramgarh, Koderma, Dhanbad, Bokaro, Chatra, Dumka, Godda, Deoghar, Jamtara, Giridih	22
10.	Rajasthan (33)	Ajmer, Banswara, Baran, Barmer, Bhilwara, Chittorgarh, Churu, Dungarpur, Hanumangarh, Jaipur, Jaisalmer, Jalor, Jhunjhunu, Jodhpur, Nagaur, Pali, Rajsamand, Udaipur, Pratapgarh	19

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**Assistance from National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) sought and approved  
for Drought**

(Rs. in crores)

<b>During - 2013-2014</b>				
<b>S.No.</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Calamity</b>	<b>Amount sought</b>	<b>Amount approved</b>
1.	Bihar	Drought	12564.04	931.87
2.	Karnataka	Drought	778.06	226.57
3.	Andhra Pradesh	Drought	638.09	254.54
	<b>Total</b>		<b>13980.19</b>	<b>1412.98</b>
<b>During - 2014-2015</b>				
1.	Haryana	Drought	4829.25	168.87
2.	Karnataka	Drought	779.20	200.85
3.	Uttar Pradesh	Drought	4819.49	777.34
4.	Maharashtra	Drought	6013.28	1962.99
5.	Andhra Pradesh	Drought	1532.00	237.51
	<b>Total</b>		<b>17973.22</b>	<b>3347.56</b>
<b>During - 2015-2016</b>				
1.	Karnataka	Drought-K Drought-R	3830.84 1417.14	1540.20 #
2.	Chhattisgarh	Drought	6093.79	1276.25
3.	Madhya Pradesh	Drought	5114.53	2032.68
4.	Maharashtra	Drought	4002.82	3049.36
5.	Odisha	Drought	2344.99	815.00
6.	Telangana	Drought	2601.17	791.21
7.	Uttar Pradesh	Drought	2057.79	1304.52
8.	Andhra Pradesh	Drought	2000.56	433.77
9.	Jharkhand	Drought	2142.78	336.94
10.	Rajasthan	Drought	10537.02	1193.41
	<b>Total:</b>		<b>42143.43</b>	<b>12773.34</b>

**K:Kharif**

**R:Rabi**

# Proposal considered in the High Level Committee (HLC) meeting on 22.4.2016.

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