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Areas of rainfall

3802. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have identified areas with heavy rainfall, normal rainfall and low rainfall in the country;

(b) if so, the details of areas of the country covered under the above mentioned categories;

(c) the percentage thereof out of over all territory of the country; and

(d) the average amount of rainfall received in the above mentioned categories of areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BACHI SINGH RAWAT): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. A statement regarding the regions of the country under different ranges of average, annual and monsoon rainfall and the percentage they constitute of the total area of the country is attached as statement.

ANNUAL RAINFALL (cm.)

Average Rainfall Range	Name of the Region	% Area of Country
Less than 40	West Rajasthan	6%
	Plains of West U.P., Haryana, Chandigarh & Delhi, Punjab, Jammu & Kashmir, East Rajasthan, Gujarat Region, Saurashtra & Kutch, Madhya Maharashtra, Marathwada, Coastal A.P., Telangana, Rayalseema, Tamil Nadu & Pondicherry, North Interior Karnataka	43%
41-100		

Average Rainfall Range	Name of the Region	% Area of Country
101-250	Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura, Gangetic West Bengal, Orissa, Bihar Plateau, Bihar Plains, East U.P., Hills of West U.P. Himachal Pradesh, West M.P., East M.P., Vidarbha, South Interior Karnataka, Lakshadweep	41%
More than 250	A & N Islands, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam & Meghalaya, Sub Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim, Konkan & Goa, Coastal Karnataka, Kerala	10%
SOUTH WEST MONSOON (JUNE-SEPTEMBER) RAINFALL (CM)		
Less than 40	Jammu & Kashmir, West Rajasthan, Rayalseema, Tamil Nadu & Pondicherry	19%
41-100	Bihar Plains, East U.P., Plains of West U.P., Haryana, Chandigarh & Delhi, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, East Rajasthan, West M.P., Gujarat Region, Saurashtra & Kutch, Madhya Maharastra, Marathwada, Vidarbha, Coastal	
	A.P., Telangana, North Interior Karnataka, South Interior Karnataka, Lakshadweep	52%
101-250	A & N Island, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam & Meghalaya, Nagaland, Manipur, Mozoram & Tripura, Sub Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim, Gangetic West Bengal, Orissa, Bihar Plyteau, Hills of West U.P., East M.P. Kerala	27%
More than 250	Konkan & Goa, Coastal Karnataka	2%