

(b) The principal rainfall season of the country is the Southwest Monsoon Season that starts from 1st June and end 30th September. Percentage of rain received from May to September to the annual normal rainfall to that of June to September of the southwest monsoon seasonal is given below:—

Annual normal			119.7 cm
Southwest Monsoon Seasonal normal (June to September)			89.2 cm
Month	Normal (cm)	Percentage of Rainfall of annual normal	Percentage of season (June to September)
June	16.3	13.6	18.2
July	29.3	24.5	32.9
August	26.2	21.8	29.4
September	17.5	14.6	19.5

(c) Details of available quantity of water, volume conserved and used in different areas are given below (in Billion Cubic Meters-BCM):—

(i) Average quantity due to annual rainfall:	3693.6 BCM
(ii) Average quantity due to summer Monsoon rainfall:	2752.4 BCM
(iii) Estimated utilizable surface water Potential:	690 BCM
(iv) Total replenishable ground water Resources:	433 BCM
(v) Ground water potential available for Domestic, Industrial and Other Purposes:	71 BCM
(vi) Storage available due to completed Major and Medium Irrigation Projects:	225.14 BCM
(vii) Estimated additional storage due to Projects under construction:	171.43 BCM
(viii) Monitoring of storage by the Central Water Commission (CWC) across the River basins of India (81 Major Reservoirs):	151.77 BCM

Utilisation of water

†1472. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(a) whether it is a fact that only 56,539 water consumer organizations are in existence to ensure proper utilization of water in only 13,156 million hectare irrigated cultivable land out of total irrigated land which is 40 per cent of the total cultivable land of 140 million hectare;

(b) if not, the facts thereof;

(c) whether the absence of sufficient number of water consumer organizations creates hurdles in proper utilization of water; and

(d) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VINCENT PALA):

(a) and (b) At present 56,934 Water Users' Associations (WUAs) covering an area of 13,538 th. ha. (13.538 million ha.) of irrigated cultivable land are in existence for proper utilization of water.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Ministry of Water Resources encourages formation of WUAs and transfer more and more irrigated area to them. WUAs are given on time functional grant at the rate of Rs. 1000 per ha. to be shared among Centre: State: Farmers as 450:450:100. Members of WUAs are imparted training from time to time to ensure efficient utilization of water.

Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme

1473. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Centre is considering to offer further funding to States on Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme;

(b) if so, whether Government has also received from State authorities full facts of progress so far made on these schemes;

(c) if so, to what extent and whether Government had clarified that funds would be provided only after seeing performance of State Government on subject;

(d) if so, to what extent Government has agreed to provide further funds for irrigation project schemes to States; and

(e) whether Centre is also considering to take steps to implement tribunal orders on water dispute?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VINCENT PALA):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) For the year 2009-10, the budget allocation initially allocated by the Ministry of Finance is of Rs. 7000 crore which is likely to increase of Rs. 8000 crore. Release under AIBP during the year will depend on release proposals received from the State Government for the year in accordance with AIBP guidelines.