

(c) As reported by the State Government of Maharashtra, during 2009-10, a total of 5,91,539 households had demanded employment out of which 5,91,517 households were provided employment under Mahatma Gandhi NREGA up to 31.3.2010 in the State.

Land Erosion

4299. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has conducted any study on the loss of land due to land erosion in various States including Himachal Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details and the outcome thereof;
- (c) whether some State Governments have requested the Central Government for providing financial assistance for rehabilitation of families affected due to land erosion;
- (d) if so, the action taken/being taken by Government thereon;
- (e) whether Government proposes to prepare any policy regarding optimum utilization of land in the country especially in rural and hilly areas; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the progress made in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SISIR ADHIKARI): (a) Yes, Madam. National Bureau of Soil Survey and Land Use Planning (NBSS&LUP), Nagpur, a Regional Centre of Indian Council of Agricultural Research, has conducted a study on extent of land subjected to various kinds of land degradation in the country.

(b) As per the study, 146.82 million hectare of land suffers from various kinds of land degradation in the country. The State-wise details are enclosed as Statement. (See below).

(c) No proposal from State Governments have been received by Department of Land Resources, Disaster Management Division of Ministry of Home Affairs and Department of Agriculture & Cooperation for providing financial assistance for rehabilitation of families affected due to land erosion.

(d) Question does not arise.

(e) and (f) Presently, there is no such proposal under consideration.

Statement

State-wise extent of various kinds of Land Degradation in India

(As per NBSS&LUP-ICAR-2005 on the Scale of 1:250,000)

(Area in thousand hectares)										
S.N.	Name of the States	Water Erosion	Wind Erosion	Water Logging	Salinity/ Alkalinity	Soil Acidity	Complex Problem	Degraded Area	Geographical Area	Degraded Area(%)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1	Andhra Pradesh	11518	0	1896	517	905	156	14992	27505	54.5
2	Arunachal Pradesh	2372	0	176	0	1955	0	4503	8374	53.8
3	Assam	688	0	37	0	612	876	2213	7844	28.2
4	Bihar + Jharkhand	3024	0	2001	229	1029	0	6283	17387	36.1
5	Goa	60	0	76	0	2	24	162	370	43.9
6	Gujarat	5207	443	523	294	0	1666	8133	19602	41.5
7	Haryana	315	536	146	256	0	214	1467	4421	33.2
8	Himachal Pradesh	2718	0	1303	0	157	0	4178	5567	75.0
9	Jammu & Kashmir	5460	1360	200	0	0	0	7020	22224	31.6
10	Karnataka	5810	0	941	110	58	712	7631	19179	39.8
11	Kerala	76	0	2098	0	138	296	2608	3886	67.1
12	Madhya Pradesh + Chhattisgarh	17883	0	359	46	6796	1126	26210	44345	59.1

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
13	Maharashtra	11179	0	0	1056	517	303	13055	30771	42.4
14	Manipur	133	0	111	0	481	227	952	2233	42.6
15	Mizoram	137	0	0	0	1050	694	1881	2108	89.2
16	Meghalaya	137	0	7	0	1030	34	1208	2243	53.9
17	Nagaland	390	0	0	0	127	478	995	1658	60.0
18	Orissa	5028	0	681	75	263	75	6122	15571	39.3
19	Punjab	372	282	338	288	0	0	1280	5036	25.4
20	Rajasthan	3137	6650	53	1418	0	110	11368	34224	33.2
21	Sikkim	158	0	0	0	76	0	234	710	33.0
22	Tamil Nadu	4926	0	96	96	78	138	5334	13006	41.0
23	Tripura	121	0	191	0	203	113	628	1049	59.9
24	Uttar Pradesh + Uttarakhand	11392	212	2350	1370	0	0	15324	29441	52.0
25	West Bengal	1197	0	710	170	556	119	2752	8875	31.0
26	Delhi	55	0	6	10	0	11	82	148	55.4
27	Union Territories	187	0	0	9	0	9	205	825	24.8
GRAND TOTAL		93680	9483	14299	5944	16033	7381	146820	328602	
GRAND TOTAL (Million ha)		93.68	9.48	14.30	5.94	16.03	7.38	146.82	328.60	