

site is being provided under the scheme which is funded by the Centre and State in the ratio of 50:50. This assistance is in addition to the financial assistance provided under IAY for construction of a dwelling unit. State-wise funds released for purchase/acquisition of housesites and the number of rural BPL households likely to be benefited is given in Statement.

Statement

State-wise funds released for purchase/acquisition of housesites and the number of Rural BPL Households to be benefited

Sl. No.	Name of State	No. of districts	Amount released	No. of housesites to be purchased or acquired
Funds released during 2009-10				
1.	Bihar	38	53.34	1,06,674
2.	Karnataka	11	54.00	1,08,000
3.	Kerala	14	32.09	64,192
4.	Rajasthan	11	17.21	34,412
5.	Sikkim	1	0.83	1,660
Funds released during 2010-11				
6.	Maharashtra	33	25.00	50,000
7.	Uttar Pradesh	45	1.75	3,507
TOTAL		153	184.22	3,68,445

Drinking water supply system using renewable energy sources

2319. SHRI SHYAMAL CHAKRABORTY: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether access to safe drinking water in many parts of the country could be significantly improved with secure supply of electricity;

(b) whether drinking water supply systems based on renewable energy sources have been developed by a number of public and private sector agencies;

(c) if so, whether Government plans to deploy renewable energy drinking water supply systems on a large scale in rural areas and to assist manufacturers cost; and

(d) if so, the allocation made for such deployment during the Eleventh Five Year Plan in rural areas and the progress made so far, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (MS. AGATHA SANGMA): (a) to (d) Secure supply of electricity is one of the essential components in ensuring supply of adequate potable drinking water. A number of public and private sector companies have developed and deployed Solar Photo-Voltaic (SPV) water pumping systems in the country. 7495 SPV water pumping systems have been installed upto 30.09.2010 in different States in the country. The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy is providing 30% subsidy subject to a maximum of Re.90/Wp and loan at 5% for installation of SPV water pumping system having a maximum PV capacity of 5KWP to individual and for community drinking water supply under the Jawaharlal Nehru National Solar Mission.

Solar desalination systems have been developed by a number of manufacturers in the country. The systems are being used for providing drinking water and distilled water for batteries. This system is one of the components being provided to the consumers with a financial assistance of 30% subsidy under the Jawaharlal Nehru National Solar Mission.

No financial allocation has been made for 11th Plan for PV pumping systems. No separate targets are fixed or allocation made for deployment of the above mentioned SPV water pumping systems and Solar Desalination Systems.

**Involvement of MPs in selecting rural development schemes
for their constituencies**

2320. SHRI SILVIUS CONDPAN: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether most of the schemes of the Central Government under his Ministry is implemented without the knowledge of Members of Parliament by the State Governments;

(b) whether the Ministry will take steps to ensure that Members of Parliament (MPs) are involved in selecting schemes in their respective States; and