

of survey/re-survey component including ground control network and ground truthing;
and

(b) if so, Government's response thereto?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHAUDHARY BIRENDER SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Government of Maharashtra has proposed for enhancement of rates of assistance for survey/re-survey component under National Land Records Modernisation Programme. The Department considers such proposals in the Core Technical Advisory Group (CTAG) constituted for giving advise on the technological aspects related to the implementation of the National Land Records Modernization Programme (NLRMP). This proposal will be examined by the CTAG.

Implementation of Drought Prone Areas Programme

1667. DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether, as per the report of the High Level Technical Committee headed by Prof. C.H. Hanumantha Rao, 74.59 million hectare area had been identified for implementation of Drought Prone Areas Programme (DPAP);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any districts in Andhra Pradesh have been identified as drought prone during 2014-15;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHAUDHARY BIRENDER SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Madam. The States, Districts, Blocks and area identified for implementation of Drought Prone Areas Programme (DPAP) are as below:

Sl. No.	States	No. of districts	No. of Blocks	Identified Area in Million Hectare
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Andhra Pradesh	5	46	4.9983
2.	Bihar	6	30	0.9533
3.	Chhattisgarh	9	29	2.1801
4.	Gujarat	14	67	4.3938

1	2	3	4	5
5.	Himachal Pradesh	3	10	0.3319
6.	Jammu and Kashmir	6	22	1.4705
7.	Jharkhand	15	100	3.4843
8.	Karnataka	17	81	8.4332
9.	Madhya Pradesh	26	105	8.9101
10.	Maharashtra	25	149	19.4473
11.	Odisha	8	47	2.6178
12.	Rajasthan	11	32	3.1968
13.	Tamil Nadu	18	80	2.9416
14.	Telangana	6	48	4.9235
15.	Uttar Pradesh	15	60	3.5698
16.	Uttarakhand	7	30	1.5796
17.	West Bengal	4	36	1.1594
TOTAL		195	972	74.5913

(c) to (e) As per the information of the Drought Management Division of the Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India, due to deficient rainfall during the South-West Monsoon 2013, Government of Andhra Pradesh had declared 7 districts as drought affected and submitted a detailed Memorandum on 17.02.2014 for seeking financial assistance from the National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) for ₹ 638.09 crore. Government of India has approved a sum of ₹ 254.54 crore from the National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) to Andhra Pradesh including Telangana. Further, Government of Andhra Pradesh has not reported any drought situation/drought memorandum during Kharif, 2014.

Caste based census

†1668. SHRI NARENDRA KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the progress report of the caste based census started by the previous Government; and

(b) by when it would be completed?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.