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5.	Daman and Diu (UT)	2161.6	1611.2	34%
6.	Goa	3917.6	2974.7	32%
7.	Maharashtra	1328.5	1004.2	32%
8.	Chhattisgarh	1255.6	1142.1	10%
South Peninsula				
1.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands (UT)	2331.3	1653.8	41%
2.	Andhra Pradesh	564.7	514.4	10%
3.	Telangana	805.0	759.6	6%
4.	Tamil Nadu	401.6	341.9	17%
5.	Puducherry (UT)	553.2	425.6	30%
6.	Karnataka	1033.3	840.7	23%
7.	Kerala	2310.0	2049.3	13%
8.	Lakshadweep (UT)	1231.7	1013.1	22%
Country as a whole		968.3	880.6	10%

Erosion in the banks of Ganges and Hooghly river

896. SHRI MANAS RANJAN BHUNIA: Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been serious erosion on the embankments of Ganges and Hooghly river and above and lower stretches of Farakka Barrage;
- (b) if so, the steps taken by Government to stop the erosion; and
- (c) the plans to rehabilitate the erosion affected peoples?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI (SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA): (a) Erosion on the embankments of Ganges and Hooghly river takes

place under special circumstances such as overtopping during floods, piping, undercutting, slippages etc. primarily due to natural reasons. State Government of West Bengal and Kolkata Port Trust have informed that erosion has taken place in the river embankments of Hooghly-Bhagirathi river system also.

(b) The flood management schemes are formulated and implemented by the State Governments as per their priority. The Government of India supplements the efforts of State Governments by providing technical advice and promotional financial assistance in critical areas. In case of Farakka Barrage Project (FBP), the Technical Advisory Committee of Farakka Barrage Project (TAC-FBP) recommends river bank protection/anti-erosion in the critical reaches within the jurisdiction of FBP which are executed by FBP.

State Government of West Bengal has informed that the State Government out of its own resources has executed many bank protection works during the period from 2017-19. The State Government has also identified various locations along the banks of river Ganga for taking necessary anti-erosion measures.

Kolkata Port Trust (KoPT) undertakes erosion control measures in the river banks adjacent to the shipping channel of KoPT leading to Haldia Dock Complex and Kolkata Dock System, whenever the erosion adversely affect stability of navigational channel and port related infrastructure. During the last two years, erosion control measures near Haldia and Moyapur area (Howrah) have been executed by KoPT.

(c) State Government of West Bengal has informed there has been loss of land due to Ganga erosion in West Bengal during past many decades. Such loss of land on the banks of Ganga-Padma is primarily due to formation of char land on the opposite site of the eroding bank. The State Government is trying its level best to rehabilitate the erosion affected peoples of river Ganga-Bhagirathi-Hooghly system.

Plan for resolving water crisis

897. SHRI MANAS RANJAN BHUNIA: Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has planned to address the problem of water crisis and to provide drinking water to the rural and urban people in different parts of the country, if so, the details of plan and projects thereof;