

Remote Sensing and Geographical Information System (GIS) containing information on ground water prospects and suitable locations for constructing recharge structures. In addition, ISRO has also enabled Geospatial support to Jal Shakti Abhiyan for water conservation/recharge measures.

Water being a State subject, initiatives on water management including conservation and water harvesting/awareness generation etc. in the Country is primarily States' responsibility. However, the important measures taken by the Central Government for conservation, management of ground water and effective implementation of rain water harvesting in the country are at the following URL: http://mowr.gov.in/sites/default/files/Steps_to_control_water_depletion_Jun2019.pdf.

Review of meteorological situation in cauvery basin

898. SHRI S. MUTHUKARUPPAN: Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Cauvery Water Regulation Committee (CWRC) has held a meeting and reviewed the meteorological situation in the Cauvery basin based on the data presented by the representative of Indian Meteorological Department;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the cumulative inflows into the eight designated reservoirs in Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Karnataka and cumulative observed flows at Biligundlu and the seven contact points in Karaikal region were comfortable at the time of the said meeting; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI (SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA): (a) to (c) Status of hydro-meteorological situation in the Cauvery basin is generally included in the agenda items of the Cauvery Water Regulation Committee (CWRC) meetings. In the last meeting (24th meeting) of CWRC held on 29.01.2020, representative from India Meteorological Department (IMD) informed about the updated rainfall position during the current North East monsoon, which was found to be comfortable as on the date of meeting. During the meeting, the Committee also noted the updated cumulative inflows into 8 designated reservoirs of Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Kerala and also noted the cumulative observed flows at Billigundulu during the water year 2019-20 (1st June, 2019 to 31st May, 2020). The Committee noted with satisfaction that the cumulative inflows at the designated reservoirs and cumulative flows at Billigundulu and in Karaikal Region were in comfortable position.