

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI,
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 731
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PROMOTION OF RAIN WATER HARVESTING

731# Shri Brijlal

Will the Minister of Jal Shakti be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of work to be undertaken at rural level in order to promote rain water harvesting;
- (b) whether any scheme is under consideration to install rain water harvesting systems in old structured residential houses; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI & SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
(SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA)

(a) Water being a State subject, initiatives on water management including conservation and water harvesting 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://jalshakti-dowr.gov.in/sites/default/files/Steps_to_control_water_depletion_Feb2021.pdf.

Master Plan for artificial recharge to Groundwater -2020 has been prepared jointly by Central Ground Water Board (CGWB) with States for site specific interventions. The plan proposes for construction of around 35.61 Lakh water harvesting structures in rural areas at an estimated cost of Rs 96735.45 Cr. The Master Plan is available in the web-link

<http://cgwb.gov.in/Master%20Plan%20to%20GW%20Recharge%202020.pdf>.

(b) As per information available with the Ministry no such scheme is under consideration with the Central government.

(c) Question does not arise in view of the reply given in para (b).
