

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF LAND RESOURCES

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1414
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.08.2024**

Implementation of DPAP

1414: **Shri Ryaga Krishnaiah:**

Will the Minister of **RURAL DEVELOPMENT** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has identified any drought-prone areas in Andhra Pradesh in the last three years for the implementation of the Drought Prone Areas Programme (DPAP);
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the quantum of funds released to the State under the said programme in the drought prone areas; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(Dr. CHANDRA SEKHAR PEMMASANI)**

(a) to (c): The Department of Land Resources (DoLR) was earlier implementing three area development programmes namely Drought Prone Area Programme (DPAP), Desert Development Programme (DDP) and Integrated Wastelands Development Programme (IWDP) on watershed basis.

These three programmes were integrated and consolidated into a single modified programme called the Integrated Watershed Management Programme (IWMP) with effect from 26.02.2009.

Department of Land Resources has sanctioned 432 projects covering an area of 1.81 million hectare in Andhra Pradesh, under Integrated Watershed Management Programme (IWMP) principally for development of rainfed and degraded areas. The IWMP was amalgamated in 2015-16 as the Watershed Development Component of the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (WDC-PMKSY).

Based on the assessment of implementation performance, a total of 59 projects were transferred to Andhra Pradesh in 2018, for implementation with their own resources / budget. Remaining 373 projects were funded by DoLR, in Andhra Pradesh. Out of these, 371 projects are reported as completed by Andhra Pradesh. Project period for WDC-PMKSY 1.0 got over on 31.03.2022.

Under WDC-PMKSY 1.0 (erstwhile IWMP), during FY 2009-10 to FY 2020-21, an amount of Rs. 1178.91 crore was released to Andhra Pradesh as Central share.

Under WDC-PMKSY 2.0, Department has sanctioned 59 projects, covering an area of 2.444 lakh hectare with a total cost of Rs. 555.31 crore to Andhra Pradesh. The project period of WDC-PMKSY 2.0 projects is upto March, 2026. All the sanctioned WDC-PMKSY 2.0 projects are at various stages of implementation. From FY 2021-22 to FY 2024-25, Central share of Rs. 137.09 crore has been released to Andhra Pradesh.
