

scheme of the Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) which is implemented as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme.

Central assistance for drinking water projects in Orissa

2959. SHRI SURENDRA LATH: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of Central assistance to State Government of Orissa during last three years for implementing drinking water projects in the rural areas in the state;

(b) whether Government of Orissa has sought additional amount of Central assistance for provision of drinking water in that State; and

(c) if so, the details of allocation made to Orissa during 2002-2003?

. THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M.K. PATIL): (a) to (c) Drinking water supply being a State subject, schemes for providing drinking water facilities are implemented by the States from their own resources. The Government of India supplements the efforts of the States by providing financial assistance under the Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP). The powers to plan, sanction and implement Rural Water Supply schemes under the above programmes rests with the State Governments.

Funds under ARWSP are allocated to the States on the basis of following inter-state allocation criteria:

Weightagefor	1	Percentage (%)
1. Rural.population		40
2. States under DDP, DPAP, HADP & special category		
hill States in terms of rural areas		35
3. NC/PC villages (at 2:1 ratio between NC and PC)		15
4. Quality affected villages (40:40:15:5)*		10
TOTAL		100

'Keeping in view the differential impact of chemicals such as Fluoride, Arsenic, Brackishness and Iron on human health, higher weightage have been given to Fluoride (40%) and arsenic (40%) affected habitations which have serious health problems when compared to Brackishness (15%) and Iron (5%) while arriving at quality parameters.

Details of funds allocated and released to Government of Orissa during last three years and the current year under ARWSP and Drinking Water Supply component of Pradhan Mantri Gramodaya Yojana (PMGY) are as under. PMGY was introduced from the year 2000-2001 and from the current financial year Planning Commission is directly managing this programme as was being done earlier under the Basic Minimum Services Programme.

Year			(Rs. in lakhs)	
	ARWSP		PMGY	
	Allocation	Release	Allocation	Release
1999-2000	4847.93	4847.93		
2000-2001	6213.00	3106.50	2478.25	2478.25
2001-2002	6522.00	4852.09	2003.80	1001.90
2002-2003	6225.00	3112.50		

In order to institutionalise community based demand driven approach in Rural Drinking Water Supply, Sector Reform Projects are also being Implemented in three districts of Orissa. Details of these projects are as under:

(Rs. in lakhs)						
SI. No.	Name of District	Approved Proj. cost	. GO! share	Funds released	Reported Expen- diture	Community contribution
1.	Balasore	4000.00	3740.00	1122.00	211.80	27.52
2.	Ganjam	4000.00	3740.00	1122.00	149.05	21.79
3.	Sundargarh	4000.00	3740.00	1122.00	526.66	21.60

Further Government of Orissa had sought an additional assistance of Rs. 3820 lakh for mitigating drinking water scarcity situation in Orissa in view of failure of monsoon. An amount of Rs. 311.25 lakh was sanctioned and released to the Government of Orissa as additional central assistance to meet the rural drinking water supply requirement arising due to drought situation in the State during the year 2002-03.