

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4057**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 20<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2018

**DROUGHT ASSISTANCE**

4057. SHRI RAJU SHETTY:  
SHRI TARIQ ANWAR:  
SHRI M.B. RAJESH:  
SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the total cultivable land area in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the details of the districts in various States of the country including Karnataka, Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and Uttarakhand which are declared drought affected, State-wise;
- (c) the number of farmers who committed suicide due to drought in various States of the country, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has received any suggestions from these States to deal with the problem of drought, if so, the details thereof, State-wise along with the response of the Government thereto; and
- (e) whether the Government is considering to grant any special package to mitigate the situation arising out of the deficit rainfall/weak monsoon in various States of the country, if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated and released by the Government to various States of the country during the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

- (a): As per the latest data available on land use statistics, State-wise details of cultivable land (agricultural land) in the country for the year 2014-15 is given at **Annexure I**.
- (b): During 2017-18, the State Governments of Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan had declared drought in 21 districts, 18 districts and 13 districts respectively. They had submitted Memoranda seeking assistance from National Disaster Response Fund for drought relief, details of which are indicated below:

State	No. of districts declared as drought affected	Assistance sought from NDRF	Assistance approved by Government of India (Gol)
Chhattisgarh	21	4401.00	395.31
Madhya Pradesh	18	3705.95	836.09
Rajasthan	13	3078.26	*

\* Under consideration

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During 2017-18, the State Government of Odisha has intimated that it has declared drought in 15 districts. No other State has so far intimated regarding declaration of drought during 2017-18.

(c): The National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) under the Ministry of Home Affairs compiles and disseminates information on suicides, in its publication titled 'Accidental Deaths and Suicides in India' (ADSI). These Reports on suicides upto 2015 are available at its website. The Report for the year 2016 has not been published yet. The State wise details of suicides in farming/ agriculture sector during the years 2014 and 2015 as per NCRB Report may be seen at **Annexure-II**. Further, as per this Report, 'Bankruptcy or Indebtedness' and 'Farming Related Issues' are reported as major causes of suicides among farmers/ cultivators. Other prominent causes of farmers/cultivators suicides are family problems, illness etc.

(d) & (e): Government has received detailed memorandum for drought relief from the states of Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan indicating the requirement of funds. Government of Odisha has provided funds from State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) for disbursement towards Agriculture Input Subsidy to the affected farmers as per the existing guidelines.

Government provides assistance to the states to mitigate the situation arising out of the drought/deficit rainfall/weak monsoon in various States of the country. State-wise details of assistance sought and approved (by Government of India) from NDRF during the last three years and the current year i.e. 2014-15 to 2017-18 (so far) for drought and hailstorm, is at **Annexure-III**.

**Annexure referred in reply to part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred  
Question No. 4057 due for reply on 20.03.2018**

State-wise details of Cultivable land/ Agricultural Land in the country for the year  
2014-15 (latest available)

(Thousand Hectares)	
<b>STATES/Uts</b>	<b>2014-15</b>
ANDHRA PRADESH	9047
ARUNACHAL PRADESH	423
ASSAM	3364
BIHAR	6579
CHHATTISGARH	5558
GOA	197
GUJARAT	12661
HARYANA	3656
HIMACHAL PRADESH	812
JAMMU & KASHMIR	1075
JHARKHAND	4343
KARNATAKA	12827
KERALA	2266
MADHYA PRADESH	17252
MAHARASHTRA	21099
MANIPUR	390
MEGHALAYA	1056
MIZORAM	367
NAGALAND	694
ODISHA	6784
PUNJAB	4285
RAJASTHAN	25511
SIKKIM	97
TAMIL NADU	8112
TELANGANA	6877
TRIPURA	272
UTTARAKHAND	1549
UTTAR PRADESH	18939
WEST BENGAL	5655
ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS	28
CHANDIGARH	1
DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	24
DAMAN & DIU	3
DELHI	53
LAKSHADWEEP	2
PUDUCHERRY	29
<b>ALL INDIA</b>	<b>181886</b>

Source: Directorate of Economics & Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.

**Annexure referred in reply to part (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4057 due for reply on  
20.03.2018**

State-wise details of Suicide by Farmers during the years 2014 and 2015 (latest available)

State/UT	2014			2015		
	Farmers	Labourers	Total	Farmers	Labourers	Total
ANDHRA PRADESH	160	472	632	516	400	916
ARUNACHAL PRADESH	0	3	3	7	3	10
ASSAM	21	38	59	84	54	138
BIHAR	0	10	10	0	7	7
CHHATTISGARH	443	312	755	854	100	954
GOA	0	0	0	0	0	0
GUJARAT	45	555	600	57	244	301
HARYANA	14	105	119	28	134	162
HIMACHAL PRADESH	32	31	63	0	46	46
JAMMU & KASHMIR	12	25	37	0	21	21
JHARKHAND	0	4	4	0	21	21
KARNATAKA	321	447	768	1197	372	1569
KERALA	107	700	807	3	207	210
MADHYA PRADESH	826	372	1198	581	709	1290
MAHARASHTRA	2568	1436	4004	3030	1261	4291
MANIPUR	0	0	0	1	0	1
MEGHALAYA	0	2	2	2	1	3
MIZORAM	0	5	5	0	1	1
NAGALAND	0	0	0	0	0	0
ODISHA	5	97	102	23	27	50
PUNJAB	24	40	64	100	24	124
RAJASTHAN	0	373	373	3	73	76
SIKKIM	35	0	35	15	3	18
TAMIL NADU	68	827	895	2	604	606
TELANGANA	898	449	1347	1358	42	1400
TRIPURA	0	32	32	1	48	49
UTTARAKHAND	63	129	192	145	179	324
UTTAR PRADESH	0	0	0	0	2	2
WEST BENGAL	0	230	230	0	0	0
ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS	8	0	8	0	0	0
CHANDIGARH	0	0	0	0	0	0
DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	0	0	0	0	0	0
DAMAN & DIU	0	0	0	0	0	0
DELHI	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAKSHADWEEP	0	0	0	0	0	0
PUDUCHERRY	0	16	16	0	12	12
<b>ALL INDIA</b>	<b>5650</b>	<b>6710</b>	<b>12360</b>	<b>8007</b>	<b>4595</b>	<b>12602</b>

Source : Report on 'Accidental Deaths & Suicides in India' for relevant years, National Crime Records Bureau, Ministry of Home Affairs

**Annexure referred in reply to part (d & e) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question  
No. 4057 due for reply on 20.03.2018**

**Assistance approved from National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) for Natural Calamities  
(Drought & hailstorm) in the States for the years 2014-15 to 2017-18**

(Rs. in crores)

<b>During - 2014-2015</b>				
<b>S.No.</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Calamity</b>	<b>Amount sought by the state</b>	<b>Amount approved</b>
1.	Haryana	Drought Hailstorm	4829.25 1925.97	168.87 369.09
2.	Karnataka	Drought Hailstorm	779.20 151.28	200.85 105.33
3.	Uttar Pradesh	Drought Hailstorm	4819.49 7573.70	777.34 2801.59
4.	Maharashtra	Drought	6013.28	1962.99
5.	Andhra Pradesh	Drought	1532.00	237.51
6.	Rajasthan	Hailstorm	11886.00	1447.73
7.	Bihar	Hailstorm	2041.10	791.42
8.	Telangana	Hailstorm	117.59	83.744
9.	Himachal Pradesh	Hailstorm	353.395	71.534
	<b>Total:</b>		<b>42022.255</b>	<b>9017.998</b>
<b>During - 2015-2016</b>				
1.	Karnataka	Drought-K Drought-R	3830.84 1417.14	1540.20 723.23
2.	Chhattisgarh	Drought	6093.79	1276.25
3.	Madhya Pradesh	Drought	5114.53	2032.68
4.	Maharashtra	Drought Drought-R	6020.36 2251.66	3638.83 679.54
5.	Odisha	Drought	2344.99	815.00
6.	Telangana	Drought	2601.17	791.21
7.	Uttar Pradesh	Drought Drought-R	2057.79 1888.35	1304.52 622.76
8.	Andhra Pradesh	Drought	2000.56	433.77
9.	Jharkhand	Drought	2142.78	336.94
10.	Rajasthan	Drought Hailstorm	10537.02 4372.27	1193.41 79.18
11.	Uttarakhand	Drought-R	91.97	70.22
	<b>Total:</b>		<b>52765.22</b>	<b>15537.74</b>
<b>During - 2016-2017</b>				
1.	Karnataka	Drought(K) Drought( R)	4702.54 3310.83	1782.44 795.54
2.	Andhra Pradesh	Drought(K)	2513.97	518.93
3.	Kerala	Drought(K)	1019.90	112.05
4.	Tamil Nadu	Drought(K)	39565.00	1748.28
5.	Rajasthan	Drought(K)	3660.97	588.34
6.	Puducherry	Drought( R)	132.35	17.70
	<b>Total</b>		<b>54905.56</b>	<b>5563.28</b>
	<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>149663.035</b>	<b>30119.018</b>
<b>During - 2017-2018</b>				
1.	Madhya Pradesh	Drought(K)	3705.95	<b>836.09</b>
2.	Chhattisgarh	Drought(K)	4401.00	<b>395.91</b>
3.	Rajasthan	Drought(K)	3078.26	<b>#</b>

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**# Under Consideration**

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