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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & FARMERS' WELFARE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2685
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 04th AUGUST 2026

REVIEW OF IRRIGATION COVERAGE

2685. SHRI MANISH JAISWAL:

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

- (a) whether the Government has reviewed the irrigation coverage and procurement of agricultural produce at Minimum Support Price (MSP) in Hazaribagh district of Jharkhand;
- (b) the district-wise details of irrigation coverage, procurement centres, quantity of produce procured and farmers benefited during the last three years;
- (c) whether the Government has received representations regarding inadequate irrigation facilities and procurement infrastructure in Hazaribagh; and
- (d) the steps taken or proposed to expand irrigation facilities, strengthen procurement infrastructure and enhance farmers' income in the district?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण राज्य मंत्री (SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

(a) to (d) Water is a State subject. It is for the State Government concerned to plan, implement and manage the irrigation projects, and to prepare action plan to make irrigation system more extensive in the State. Role of Government of India is limited to providing technical support, and partial financial assistance for identified projects under the ongoing schemes. Ministry of Jal Shakti (MoJS), Government of India is implementing Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP) and Har Khet Ko Pani (HKKP) components of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) which focuses on major, medium and minor irrigation projects. One project Subernrekha multipurpose irrigation project is under implementation in State of Jharkhand under PMKSY-AIBP which benefits East Singhbhum, West Singhbhum, and Seraikela-Kharsawan Districts of Jharkhand. Since inclusion of the project under AIBP in 2011-12, Central assistance of Rs.1889.62 crore has been released to State Government for the project and 113.59 Thousand hectares irrigation potential (IP) has been created in these Districts, however, districtwise wise details of IP are not maintained centrally. Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Government of India is implementing Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Per Drop More Crop (PDMC) scheme in the Country including Jharkhand. The scheme focuses on enhancing water use efficiency at farm level through Micro Irrigation technologies, namely, Drip and Sprinkler Irrigation systems. An area of 54095 ha has been covered under micro irrigation through PDMC in Jharkhand and Central Assistance released is Rs. 338.38 crore since 2015-16. In Hazaribagh District, 2782 ha area has been covered under micro-irrigation through PDMC since 2015-16. The district wise details of area covered under micro-irrigation as reported by State Government during last three years are given at Annexure-I. Central Govt. schemes are reviewed with State Government on regular basis for its effective implementation, however review of District level implementation is responsibility of State Government.

As per the Land Use Statistics Database maintained by the Government of India, the net irrigated area is 225.82 thousand hectares. District-wise details of Net Irrigated Area and Gross Irrigated Area in Jharkhand is given at Annexure-II.

Procurement of agricultural commodities at Minimum Support Price (MSP) is undertaken by designated Central and State Government/ agencies in accordance with the procurement policy and operational requirements by Ministry of Food and Public Distribution. Procurement arrangements, including the number and location of procurement centres, are made by the concerned State Government and procurement agencies based on production, market arrivals and other local considerations. State Government has reported that, no representation has been received regarding inadequate procurement infrastructure in Hazaribagh district. The procurement plans and its progress is reviewed regularly with State Government and concerned agencies for effective implementation. The details of paddy procurement, number of farmers benefitted in Jharkhand available with Central Government and the paddy procurement, number of farmers benefitted and number of procurement centres in Hazaribagh District as reported by State Govt. for last three years are given in Table. The details of paddy procurement and centres districtwise are not maintained centrally.

Kharif Marketing Season	Jharkhand		Hazaribagh District		
	Paddy Procured (MT)	No. of Farmers Benefitted	Paddy Procured (MT)	No. of Farmers Benefitted	No. of Procurement Centres
2023-24	73962	10927	23862	5394	69
2024-25	205651	58858	50793	9615	70
2025-26	155571	78058	48963	10805	83

In addition, Government is implementing the integrated Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay Sanrakshan Abhiyan (PM-AASHA) comprising the Price Support Scheme (PSS), Price Deficiency Payment Scheme (PDPS) and Market Intervention Scheme (MIS) to provide price support to farmers. Under these schemes, the Oilseeds and Pulses procurement is taken up based on the proposals of State Governments. However, no proposal for procurement has been made under these scheme by State of Jharkhand.

Government of India implements various schemes for holistic and sustainable development of agriculture and increasing income of farmers in the country including Jharkhand State. These schemes are implemented by State Governments as per their priority in different districts. The schemes include, Mission for Aatmanirbharta in Pulses, the National Mission on Edible Oils–Oilseeds (NMEO-OS), National Food Security & Nutrition Mission (NFSNM), Per Drop More Crop, Rainfed Area Development, Soil Health and Fertility scheme, Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana, National Mission on Natural Farming scheme, Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture, Agroforestry Mission, National Bamboo Mission, Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi, Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana, Agriculture Infrastructure Fund, Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization, e-NAM (National Agriculture Market), Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) etc.

Annexure-I of LSPQ 2685 dated 04.08.2026

Districtwise details of Area covered under Micro-irrigation and Nos of Beneficiary under Per Drop More Crop for last three years in Jharkhand

Sl. No.	District	2023-24		2024-25		2025-26		Total	
		Area (Ha.)	Beneficiary	Area (Ha.)	Beneficiary	Area (Ha.)	Beneficiary	Area (Ha.)	Beneficiary
1	Bokaro	170.48	280	148.22	242	308.93	467	627.63	989
2	Chatra	172.10	263	149.46	213	175.57	282	497.13	758
3	Deoghar	85.99	145	148.65	191	248.35	344	482.99	680
4	Dhanbad	99.25	230	83.14	192	151.81	245	334.20	667
5	Dumka	231.34	369	203.64	306	357.46	540	792.44	1215
6	Garhwa	181.09	408	151.01	301	545.63	911	877.73	1620
7	Giridih	146.84	257	153.49	218	283.53	412	583.86	887
8	Godda	343.26	510	311.41	465	678.55	943	1333.22	1918
9	Gumla	419.97	684	256.66	266	280.40	383	957.03	1333
10	Hazaribagh	66.49	96	269.21	254	174.42	127	510.12	479
11	Jamshedpur	294.43	454	235.90	356	150.36	235	680.69	1045
12	Jamtara	117.33	203	112.79	178	271.07	357	501.19	738
13	Khunti	284.33	496	244.02	391	363.18	541	891.53	1428
14	Koderma	64.41	63	98.74	120	181.40	212	344.55	395
15	Latehar	240.57	515	200.26	340	218.20	343	659.03	1198
16	Lohardaga	286.64	605	232.35	366	298.34	436	817.33	1407
17	Pakur	71.42	173	118.98	274	126.10	252	316.50	699
18	Palamu	158.10	218	146.96	231	716.48	1029	1021.54	1478
19	Ramgarh	1.27	2	133.28	216	90.69	158	225.24	376
20	Ranchi	1046.48	1700	854.34	1247	973.71	1258	2874.53	4205
21	Sahibganj	366.84	654	480.58	846	428.45	701	1275.87	2201
22	Saraikela	260.13	467	205.81	283	202.53	355	668.47	1105
23	Simdega	11.75	22	156.38	246	31.81	51	199.94	319
24	West Singhbhum	175.00	356	148.90	296	276.05	470	599.95	1122
	Total	5295.51	9172	5244.18	8038	7533.02	11052	18072.71	28262

Annexure-II of LSPQ 2685 dated 04.08.2026
Districtwise Details of Net Irrigated Area and Gross Irrigated Area in State of
Jharkhand

In Hectare

Sr. No.	District	Net Irrigated Area	Gross Irrigated Area
1.	Bokaro	2371	2590
2.	Chatra	6661	17087
3.	Deoghar	11678	24875
4.	Dhanbad	1883	11708
5.	Dumka	4173	13266
6.	East singbhum	1038	1448
7.	Garhwa	36973	47179
8.	Giridih	51318	57620
9.	Godda	6969	16442
10.	Gumla	9734	11457
11.	Hazaribagh	12120	17423
12.	Jamtara	2977	7454
13.	Khunti	4987	6072
14.	Koderma	2820	7384
15.	Latehar	12893	17635
16.	Lohardaga	9029	15348
17.	Pakur	3987	5303
18.	Palamu	18521	23758
19.	Ramgarh	2260	3669
20.	Ranchi	13165	17854
21.	Sahebganj	3913	5646
22.	Saraikela kharsawan	494	629
23.	Simdega	4802	8834
24.	West singhbhum	1062	3316
	Total	225828	343997

Source: Land Use Statistics Database
