

Biju Krushak Vikash Yojana

Introduction

Minor irrigation projects are environment-friendly and they provide gainful employment opportunities to the rural population, resulting in optimum utilization of resources. A large number of small irrigation projects on streams & rivulets can provide irrigation to the lands of tribal beneficiaries. The technology close to the heart of the tribal and the projects are therefore amply suitable for self-management. The Pani Panchayat scheme has aroused widespread enthusiasm. Requests are pouring in to set up new minor and lift Irrigation Project and revive the derelict ones. It is, therefore, felt that new emphasis on Minor & Lift Irrigation projects can be cast in the mould of Pani Panchayats, which will provide increased momentum to the campaign. With the above objectives in view, Government launched a new scheme name as "Biju Krushak Vikash Yojana" during 2001.

Procedure for Sanction of Projects

1. There shall be an open invitation to the farmers to form themselves in to a registered Pani Panchayats in order to derive benefit of irrigation assistance from the Government. These associations should be formed around potential irrigation projects, minor (flow) as well as lift. The application for such projects should be addressed to the Collector of the district under the title of "Biju Krushak Vikash Yojana".

2. Proposal received by the Collector will be surveyed by the appropriate departmental engineers at the district level as follows:

(a) Lift Irrigation Projects above 4 ha. by Executive Engineer / Asst. Engineers of OLIC.

(b) Minor (flow) Irrigation Projects with ayacut less than 40 ha. by Engineers of Block / DRDA / ITDA / Soil Conservation Organization.

(c) Minor (flow) Irrigation Projects with ayacut of 40 ha. and above by Engineers of Minor Irrigation Organization.

3. The estimate of feasible Projects will be technically sanctioned by the Engineers of appropriate Department listed above according to the delegation of powers of their respective Department. The cost of survey should be borne by the respective Departments.

4. The project found technically feasible shall be posed to different agencies by the Collector as follows:

Lift Irr. Project above 4 ha. - DRDA / ITDA / OLIC

Minor (Flow) Irrigation Projects below 40 ha. -DRDA / ITDA

Minor (Flow) Irrigation Projects above 40 ha. -Chief Engineer, M.I.

Mode of Funding

The assistance will be limited to 80% of the estimated capital cost and contribution of Pani Panchayat shall be 20% of the cost. In case of tribal sub-plan areas and KBK districts, the assistance may be raised to 90% of the capital cost. The Pani Panchayat may contribute its share either in cash or in terms of labour or in the form of land etc. The assistance to a Pani Panchayats towards the capital cost shall be given only after it is registered as Society under the Societies Registration Act, 1860, for which a model bye-law will be furnished by the DOWR.

At present, the funding for execution of MIPs & LIPs in KBK districts are basically met from Special Component assistance (SCA) received under RLTA. Similarly, loan assistance from NABARD is being availed under RIDF scheme for execution of MIPs & LIPs in Non-KBK Districts.

Scheme Status

Total 5894 L.I. Points and 84 Minor Irrigation Projects have been taken up, out of which 5259 L.I.Ps and 77 MIPs have been completed by end of March 2010. The details are given in the following tables.

Table - 4.13
Total Achievement since inception (status as on 31.03.2010)

Project Particular	Minor (flow)			Lift Irrigation (OLIC & OAIC)		
	Non-KBK (RIDF)	KBK (SCA under RLTAP)	Total	Non-KBK (RIDF)	KBK (SCA under RLTAP)	Total
1.Taken up (No)	50	34	84	3987	1907	5894
2.Completed (No)	50	27	77	3400	1859	5259
3.Ongoing (No)	-	7	7	587	48	635
5. Appraisal Potential in Th.Ha.						
(a) New creation	2.167	4.172	6.339	85.92	42.27	128.19
(b)Revival	1.334	1.885	3.229	6.30	4.16	10.46
6. Potential created (Th.Ha.)	1.706	2.918	4.624	71.13	40.25	111.38
7. Potential revived (Th.Ha.)	1.142	1.708	2.850	5.56	4.14	9.70

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Achievement during 2009-10

Project Particular	Minor (flow)			Lift Irrigation (OLIC & OAIC)		
	Non-KBK (RIDF)	KBK (SCA under RLTAP)	Total	Non-KBK (RIDF)	KBK (SCA under RLTAP)	Total
1. Potential created (Th.Ha.)	0.050	-	0.050	11.394	5.809	17.203
2. Potential revived (Th.Ha.)	-	-	-	1.83	0.97	2.80
3.Projects completed (No)	2	-	2	529	257	786

