## MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

DEMAND NO.78

## **Department of Land Resources**

A. The Budget allocations, net of recoveries, are given below:

									(In	crores of	Rupees)
			Budget 2002-2003			Revised 2002-2003			Budget 2003-2004		
	Ν	lajor Head		Non-Plan	Total	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
	Revenue Capital		1000.00	3.81	1003.81	950.00	3.62	953.62	1050.00	3.66	1053.66
	Total		1000.00	3.81	1003.81	950.00	3.62	953.62	1050.00	3.66	1053.66
1.	Secretariat- Economic Services	3451		3.81	3.81		3.62	3.62		3.66	3.66
Sp	ecial Programmes for Rural Development										
Wa	ste Lands Development										
2.	National Wastelands	2501	2.00		2.00	1.00		1.00	1.00		1.00
	Development Board	3601	6.00		6.00	3.00		3.00	5.00		5.00
	·	Total	8.00		8.00	4.00		4.00	6.00		6.00
3.	Integrated Wastelands										
	Development Projects Scheme	2501	361.00		361.00	356.00		356.00	313.00		313.00
		3601	1.00		1.00	1.00		1.00	1.00		1.00
		Total	362.00		362.00	357.00		357.00	314.00		314.00
4.	Drought Prone Areas										
	Programme	2501	250.00		250.00	250.00		250.00	295.00		295.00
5.	Desert Development Programme	2501	185.00		185.00	185.00		185.00	215.00		215.00
6.	Special Programme for Drought										
	Proofing	2501							50.00		50.00
7.	Technology Development,										
	Extension & Training	2501	12.00		12.00	12.00		12.00	12.00		12.00
	-	3601	3.00		3.00	2.00		2.00	3.00		3.00
		Total	15.00		15.00	14.00		14.00	15.00		15.00
Land Reforms											
8.	Land Reforms	2506	1.00		1.00	0.60		0.60	1.00		1.00
		3601	77.50		77.50	43.90		43.90	52.50		52.50
		3602	1.50		1.50	0.50		0.50	1.50		1.50
		Total	80.00		80.00	45.00		45.00	55.00		55.00
9.	Lumpsum provision for projects/										
	schems for the benefit of the										
	North Eastern Region and										
	Sikkim	2552	100.00		100.00	95.00		95.00	100.00		100.00
Grand Total		1000.00	3.81	1003.81	950.00	3.62	953.62	1050.00	3.66	1053.66	
C.	Plan Outlay:-	Head of Dev	Budget Support	IEBR	Total	Budget Support	IEBR	Total	Budget Support	IEBR	Total
Central Plan:											
1.	Special Programmes for Rural										
	Development	12501	820.00		820.00	810.00		810.00	895.00		895.00
2.	Land Reforms	12506	80.00		80.00	45.00		45.00	55.00		55.00
3.	North Eastern Areas	22552	100.00		100.00	95.00		95.00	100.00		100.00
Tot	al		1000.00		1000.00	950.00		950 00	1050.00		1050.00
101			1000.00		1000.00	300.00		320.00	1030.00		1030.00

1. The provision is for secretariat expenditure of the Department.

2. The Department of Land Resources is mainly responsible for development of wastelands in non-forest areas aimed at checking land degradation, putting such wastelands to sustainable use and increasing biomass availability, specially fuel wood and fodder. The Department endeavours to enlist people's participation, harnessing science and technology for the planning and implementation of the projects under its programmes. 3. Integrated Wastelands Development Programme is an on-going scheme under which major projects are undertaken on the basis of micro-watershed basis. The projects under this Programme are generally sanctioned in non-DPAP/non-DDP Blocks.

4. Drought Prone Areas Programme is an area development programme designed to tackle the problem of drought with a long term perspective based on strategy of optimum utilisation of land, water and human resources. This is a centrally sponsored scheme, which is funded on a matching basis by the Centre and States. However, with effect from 1st

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April, 1999, the allocation is shared on 75:25 basis between the Centre and State Govts. The Programme is in operation in 972 blocks in 182 districts of 16 States.

5. Desert Development Programme aims at controlling desertification and to conserve, develop and harness land, water and other natural resources for restoration of ecological balance in the long run and also to raise the level of production, income and employment through irrigation, afforestation, dry land farming etc. From 1995-96, desert areas have been identified under three categories, namely Hot Sandy Arid Areas, Hot Arid Areas and Cold Arid Areas. Allocation is shared on 75:25 basis between the Centre and the State. The Programme is in operation in 235 Blocks in 40 districts of 7 States.

6. The provision is for special programme proposed to be taken up in 10 districts of Rajasthan with large tracts of deserts for effective drought proofing and combating desertification.

7. The provision is for Technology Development, Extension and Training scheme. Under this Scheme 100% financial assistance is given for projects which are on Govt. and community land. The cost of the projects on private land is shared in the ratio of 60:40 between the Centre and the Farmers/Corporate Body.

8. Under Land Reforms, assistance is given to the States on a 50:50 basis and to the UTs on 100% basis under the scheme of Strengthening of Revenue Administration and Updating of Land Records. A Centrally sponsored scheme of Computerisation of Land Records is also under implementation. This is a 100% grants-in-aid scheme. So far, 582 districts have been brought under the computerisation programme in the country and the scheme has been operationalised in 2970 Tehsils/Taluka/mandals in the country.

9. Lumpsum provision has been kept for projects/schemes for the benefit of North Eastern States including Sikkim.