

Bundelkhand Package Progress as on 30.07.2011

Politico-historical region (*Jhansi ki Rani*) of Bundelkhand lagged behind rest of UP and MP in many socio-economic, human development and infrastructural indicators. It is not well endowed with natural resources, industrial development, topographically ravineous, relatively more feudalistic and dacoits infested with unique social capital. It is a natural basin but artificially and physically divided into UP and MP, governed by two States political systems both being at variance with the centre. Water resources and other natural fluxes originate from MP and integrated/shared development with UP is a very challenging, sensitive and delicate task. However, the most appropriate development processes are in progress with several activities having variable gestation period. The package was approved for three years and funds could be released at the fag end (March) of the first year, converging was a difficult task and following progress may be viewed keeping in mind two effective years only.

A. Background:

The special package is being implemented in 7 districts of Uttar Pradesh and 6 districts of Madhya Pradesh states with total approved cost of Rs. 7466 crore comprising Rs.3606 crore for Uttar Pradesh and Rs.3860 crore for Madhya Pradesh. It is envisaged to provide Additional Central Assistance (ACA) to the tune of Rs. 3649 crore (49%) for implementing the package. Of the allocated funds from ACA component, release of Rs. 860.97 crore (50.77%) to Uttar Pradesh and Rs. 1060.46 crore (54.29%) to Madhya Pradesh has been made till 31.7.2011. Funds for rural drinking water supply have also been passed on to both the States.

B. Comparative performance of U.P. and M.P

The relative financial and physical performance of various activities by U.P. and M.P. States is given at Annexure – I. U.P has utilised 35.67% and M.P. 21.42% of total ACA fund allocated. U.P. has also utilized higher percentage (70%) of released

amount as compared to M.P. (39%). However, overall physical progress (weighted average of released amount) of activities in Madhya Pradesh State is comparatively on the higher side (34% %) than U.P. (20%). Similar is true of relative performance of U.P. and M.P. based on weighted average of total allocated amount. In the irrigation sector, M.P. has been able to create larger irrigation potential (53,279 ha) than U.P. (33,530 ha) till date. The dairy sector in M.P. has also outperformed U.P. with relatively better quality.

C. Impact Indicators

- i. An irrigation potential of 53,279 ha (56%) has been created against the targeted 94,709 ha in M.P. Similarly in U.P. irrigation potential in 33,530 ha (33%) created against targeted 1,01,334 ha
- ii. Area under Kharif crop increased by 49% in M.P. and 60% in U.P.
- iii. 66% increase in Kharif crop productivity in M.P. Not much improvement in U.P. due to relatively more drought conditions.
- iv. 63 Water User Associations elected in U.P. and 60 in M.P for management of command area.
- v. Farmers are getting higher milk prices realisation to an extent of Rs.10 per Kg after establishment of milk routes and Dairy Cooperative Societies in both the states.
- vi. Dairy farmers are willing to invest from their own funds/ loan for the purchase of adult milch cattle/ buffalo for augmenting production by availing 30% back-end subsidy.
- vii. Within a short span of 18 months daily milk collection has increased by 90% in MP Bundelkhand region and 72% in U.P.
- viii. The beneficiaries provided with Murrah buffalo bulls for natural service are charging Rs. 100-200 per service or ration grains from the service seekers.

- ix. Provision of water lifting devices to beneficiaries of dug wells under MGNREGA has diversified into cash crops like ground nuts, *colacasia* (Arbi), Turmeric, Ginger and other vegetable crops.
- x. Ancient system of seed broadcasting is being replaced by drill sowing of soybean crop especially in M.P. Renting of farm machinery has picked up in both the states.
- xi. The 'Water Marketing' concept is slowly gaining momentum among the farmers.
- xii. Under IWMP project, involvement of corporate under PPP mode and NGOs as PIAs is followed in M.P. whereas state departments continue to implement in U.P.

D. Convergence

- i. Provision of water lifting devices to 44,000 dug wells constructed under MGNREGA in M.P. turned them into productive durable assets and diversification into cash crops.
- ii. For construction of new dug wells in U.P. 36% of total expenditure was met from MGNREGA scheme and 64% rest from ACA funds
- iii. Convergence of National Afforestation Programme (NAP) scheme with MGNREGA and ACA funds in forestry sector conserved soil and rain water which enhanced ground water availability to the nearby farmers.
- iv. NHM and micro-irrigation schemes have led to diversification into horticulture especially in Panna district.
- v. RKVY funds being untied filled various gaps of local planning. It is quite innovative way of planning.
- vi. Macro-management funds from Department of Agriculture and Cooperation utilised in soil and rain water conservation.

However, physically and financially it is not possible to provide canal irrigation or dugwell/borewell to each household and they will create noise for getting compensated in some way. Similarly, it is not possible to comply with all suggestions made by political class due to some reasons/constraints.

Annexure – I

Comparative performance of Bundelkhand Package in U.P. and M.P.

I. Financial Progress

Sl.No.	Component	Uttar Pradesh	Madhya Pradesh
A	Financial Progress (Rs. in crore) of ACA		
i	a. ACA Allocation	1695.76	1953.20
ii	b. Amount released up to 30.7.2011	860.97 (51%)	1060.46 (54%)
iii	c. Amount utilised up to 30.7.2011	605.00 (35.67%)*	418.31 (21.42%)*
iv	d. Submission of demand for release of second instalment of funds	One proposal	Two proposals

* Percent of total allocation

II. Physical Progress

Sl.No	Component / Activity	Unit	Madhya Pradesh		Uttar Pradesh	
			Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement
A	DAIRY SECTOR					
i	Dairy societies established	Numbers	260	315 (121%)	560	335 (60%)
ii	Bulk Milk Coolers (BMCs)		6	9 (150%)	Nil Target	Nil Target
iii	Daily Milk Collection	Kg/ day	25,000	24,000 (96%)	59680	18279 (31%)
iv	Up-gradation of dairy Plants/ Chilling centres	Numbers	1	Under progress	5	Under progress
B	WATER RESOURCE SECTOR					
i	Command Area Development of Rajghat Project	Hectares	25707	4000 (16%)	69500	27000 (39%)
ii	New and ongoing Minor Irrigation Schemes	Numbers	145	53 (36%)	Nil Target	Nil Target
iii	Repair, Renovation and Restoration scheme of canals	Numbers	Nil Target	Nil Target	39	13 (33%)
iv	Major Medium irrigation project	Numbers	1	1 (100%)	1	Nil Target
v	Repair of lift irrigation Schemes	Numbers	0	0	1	1 (100%)
vi	Changing Pump sets	Numbers	Nil Target	Nil Target	3	1 (33%)
vii	Repair, Renovation and Restoration of water Bodies	Numbers	Nil Target	Nil Target	28	26 (93%)
viii	HDPE Pipe distribution	Numbers	Nil Target	Nil Target	17751	16108 (91%)

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C	ANIMAL HUSBANDRY					
i	Distribution of Murrah Buffalo bulls	Numbers	2434	183 (8%)	70	70 (100%)
ii	Distribution of goat units	Numbers	5061	880 (17%)	2510	386 (15%)
iii	Establishment of Fodder banks	Units	3	In progress	3	In progress
iv	Establishment of Artificial Insemination Centres	Units	225	0	245	0
D	ENVIRONMENT & FOREST					
i	Treatment of Forest area for soil & moisture conservation	Hectares	2,00000	57753 (29%)	60,000	35790 (60%)
E	AGRICULTURE					
i	Construction of ware housing and marketing infrastructure facility	Number of places	110	In progress	174	In progress
F	WATERSHED MANAGEMENT					
i	IWMP project	Hectares	57 projects	Preparatory phase activities in 96% case	130 project	Preparatory phase activities (100%)
ii	Distribution of water lifting devices	Numbers	45000	14433 (32%)	Nil Target	Nil Target
iii	Construction of Stop Dams	Numbers	318	42 (13%)	Nil Target	Nil Target
iv	Renovation of dug wells, tanks & ponds	Numbers	Nil Target	Nil Target	30120	1489 (5%)
v	Recharge of dug wells, tanks & ponds	Numbers	Nil Target	Nil Target	30864	1168 (4%)
vi	Construction of new dug wells	Numbers	Nil Target	Nil Target	8834	1038 (12%)
G	Rural drinking water supply		Activity yet to be implemented			
Overall average weighted by released amount			34%		20%	