

# River Valley Project: Maharashtra

## Details of River Valley Project

<b>Particulars</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>Name of the Scheme</b>	River Valley Project
<b>Sponsored by</b>	Central Government
<b>Funding Pattern</b>	100 percent centrally sponsored
<b>Ministry/Department</b>	Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Government of India
<b>Description</b>	<p>The centrally sponsored scheme of soil conservation in the catchments of River Valley Projects (RVP) was launched during the third plan for mounting a concerted effort at prevention of catchments deterioration. Twenty-seven (27) major catchments spread over 17 States were identified for inclusion in the River Valley Project, out of which 7 catchments have been identified for Maharashtra.</p>
<b>Beneficiaries</b>	Community,
<b>Benefits</b>	
<b>Benefit Type</b>	Others,
<b>Other Benefits</b>	River Valley Project
<b>Details</b>	<p>In the State of Maharashtra, seven catchments, namely Nagarjunsagar (Pune, Satara, Solapur, Sangli, Ahmednagar), Ghod (Pune), pochampad (Aurangabad, Jalna, Beed, Nanded), Nijamsagar (Solapur), Damanganga (Thane, Nasik), Ukai (Dhule, Jalgaon), and Sardar Sarovar (Nandurbar) have been identified for this programme. Out of this, the works in the watersheds under Ghod and Nijamsagar catchments are declared as saturated. Centrally sponsored schemes pertaining to agriculture sector are being implemented through Work plan Programme, under which River Valley Project is one of the components. For the current year, the programme of River Valley Project in the work plan has been fixed at Rs. 9.00 crore.</p>
<b>Eligibility criteria</b>	<p>The areas for treatments under RVP should be selected having regard to the following criteria: 1. Very high &amp; high priority watersheds must first qualify for treatment, in that order 2. Contiguity of watersheds to be treated is necessary for consolidating the measures of the treatment, and 3. Annual programmes must cover whole micro watersheds, as far as possible, and contiguity should guide the choice of micro watersheds for subsequent periods.</p>