

ANDHRA PRADESH MICRO IRRIGATION PROJECT: ANANTAPUR

- ✓ Andhra Pradesh Micro Irrigation Project (APMIP) was started during November, 2003.
- ✓ APMIP provides Drip, Sprinkler, Micro Sprinklers and other Micro Irrigation systems to farmers on 90% subsidy. SC/ST farmers are eligible for 100% subsidy.
- ✓ The maximum monetary ceiling per farmer is Rs.50,000/-.
- ✓ Till 31-03-2010, 1.25 lakh Ha. was covered with Micro Irrigation equipment in the district, thus making it the largest micro irrigated district in the entire country.
- ✓ The year wise Drip & Sprinkler coverage with subsidy particulars are as follows:

Sl.No.	Year	Drip			Sprinkler			Total		
		Physical		Financial (In Lakhs) Subsidy	Physical		Financial (In Lakhs) Subsidy	Physical		Financial (In Lakhs) Subsidy
		No Units	Area Ha		No Units	Area Ha		No Units	Area Ha	
		3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1	2003-04	733	1123	145	7280	11431	328	8013	12554	473
2	2004-05	3939	6663	855	4897	5792	465	8836	12455	1320
3	2005-06	8542	11120	3736	3711	5500	307	12253	16620	4043
4	2006-07	8972	12500	3685	4197	6000	392	13169	18500	4077
5	2007-08	12509	16079	4597	5223	7100	599	17732	23179	5196
6	2008-09	13292	14556	4084	6742	6992	705	20034	21548	4789
7	2009-10	16705	14400	7346	7179	7250	988	23884	21650	8334
8	2010-11	4724	4104	2013	2754	2756	374	7478	6860	2387
Total		69416	80545	26461	41983	52821	4158	111399	133366	30619

(i) Micro Sprinklers: -

- ✓ Drip area coverage was hard to find in the district as most of the Horticulture Gardens/farmers were provided with APMIP material up to the ceiling permitted by the Government.
- ✓ In order to bring Groundnut farmers with irrigation source into the fold of APMIP, Micro Sprinklers were promoted in a large scale for Groundnut farmers in the district in place of big sprinklers.

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- ✓ As a result Groundnut farmers have started diverting from big sprinklers to Micro Sprinklers which enables vegetable cultivation in addition to Groundnut with less water usage.
- ✓ Micro Sprinklers were processed for 1000 Ha. during 2009-10 in the district which is a good achievement in 3 months. Steps are being taken to promote Micro Sprinklers on a large scale during the current year also.

(ii) Horticulture Resource Centres: -

22 Horticulture Resource Centres (HRCs) are functioning in the district with 11 under APMIP control and 11 under ADH control. M.I.Companies have been tagged on to each of these HRC for placing of spares and accessories of Drip units. Government Buildings have been planned for 10 HRCs by utilizing BRGF grants and interest funds of APMIP and SHM and the construction is under progress.


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