CM releases White paper on Natural resources management

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- Kia motors established in Anantapur due to better water management and water availability
- Foundation laid to steel plant in Kadapa due to water availability
- Rayalaseema lowest rainfall area. Highest income in agriculture and horticulture in rayalaseema region.
- Minimum water maximum results through better water management
- Rain water harvesting to increase ground water level. Tanks revived.
- Polavaram project: The state govt given highest priority for completion of Polavaram project. Total expenditure of 15,363.79 incurred, of which 10,227.92 cr after 1-4-2014. Govt of India reimbursed Rs 6,727.264 cr and yet to release Rs 3,500.66 cr. The Polavarm project will be completed as per schedule by 2019.
- Linking of rivers: Godavari and Krishna linked through Pattiseema. Surplus water from Srisailam released to rayalaseema region.
- Plans to link Godavari, Penna in Phase I, NS right main canal to Somasila in Phase II, NS right main canal to Tirupati through gravity. Vamsadhara-Nagavali, Uttarandhra sujala sravati upto Visakhapatnam. Bahuda and Vamsadhara to be connected.
- Plans to supply water to 2 cr acres through water management like micro irrigation.
- Green cover to balance environment. At present the 27 per cent of green cover to be extended to 50 per cent using clean energy. Solar energy. By 2020 renewable energy to be produced up to 40 per cent. 15 lakh agricultural pumpsets to be turned as solar powered pumpsets.
- Electrical vehicles to be introduced in a big way to reduce pollution.
· Disaster management: prior forecast to minimise crop damage.
· Green house gases emission. Plans to improve air, water, food and energy quality to establish most liveable standards.
· Last five years deficit of rain fall. Despite of deficit rainfall 11 per cent growth rate achieved in agriculture and allied sectors.
· Pattiseema: 8 lakh acres protected in Krishna delta in first year and saved crop worth 2500 cr. 13 lakh acres protected last year through pattiseema which contributed Rs 6000 cr to GSDP. This year 98tmc water released through pattiseema. 115 tmc water from Srisailam released to Rayalaseema.
· Water resources department received 24 awards.
· GOI has to release 3500 cr to Polavaram project. Rs 62500 cr spent on irrigation sector for the past four and half years. 62 projects taken up on priority basis. 17 projects inaugurated and 6 projects are ready for inauguration.
· AP No-I in micro irrigation. Anantapur, Kadapa, prakasam, Chittoor and Prakasam topped in micro irrigation. Micro irrigation to be introduced in one cro acres in coming five years.
· Weather monitoring system introduced. Rainfall, humidity and rain gauges were set up. Soil moisture censors were set up. 1254 fysiometres set up for real time monitoring. RTG and AWARE are working together.
· 2141 sq km increased in green cover. 5.9 per cent increase in green cover. Air quality increased. Noise pollution monitoring. Water quality monitoring through 51 stations. 329 on line monitoring systems for water monitoring.
· Renewable energy 10 per cent at all india level. 7400 mw renewable energy in AP
· 1700 cr revenue on red sanders in past four years.
· Natural resources management without damaging environment.