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The article emphasises the need of taking up of small dams in the Shiwalik region on the lines of Sukhomajri model for overall development and well-being of the people of this region. The merits of this model are : low gestation period, more labour intensive, no need to evacuate people of the catchment, more availability of water per unit area because of very little transit loss, low cost per unit of command area, no chance of major catastrophe if per chance the dam fails, easy to desilt with the involvement of the beneficiaries, simple technology, a definite answer to the problem of environmental degradation and above all its wide applicability in the foothill areas not only in the states of Haryana, Punjab and Himachal but also in all other hilly states of the country.