

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA**

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SAVING OF DAL LAKE
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme or provided any financial assistance to save the Dal Lake of Kashmir;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Additional Central Assistance of Rs. 102.45 crore has been provided till date by the Planning Commission to the J&K Government for conservation of Dal Lake, which is being spent by the State Government on various activities relating to dredging, de-weeding, catchment area treatment, solid waste management, sewerage system and sewage pumping stations, improvement of lake hydrology and hydraulics, lake eco-regeneration, rehabilitation of families and acquisition of land & structures inside the lake, etc. A project proposal amounting to Rs. 269.45 crore has also been prepared for conservation of the Dal-Nagin Lake.