

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

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CANALISATION OF SWAN RIVER
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that after obtaining approval from Planning Commission and from Government of Himachal Pradesh, a proposal involving 123.93 crores of rupees for canalization of 16.67 kilometre from Jhalra bridge to Santokhgarh bridge of Swan river flowing in Himachal Pradesh was submitted to his ministry by the Government of Himachal Pradesh for financial assistance;

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government thereon; and

(c) by when a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The proposal on "Swan River Flood Management and Integrated Land Development" at an estimated cost of Rs. 123.93 crore envisaging construction of embankments and Spurs on both banks of Swan river in 16.67 kilometres length from Santokhgarh bridge to Jhalera bridge was received in the Ministry of Water Resources in January 2002 for financial assistance from Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC). The proposal was processed and recommended to the Department of Economic Affairs on 4.3.2002 for onward transmission to JBIC. The proposal could not be shortlisted for financial year 2003 loan package of Government of Japan. In view of the request of the State Government, Government of India has again recommended the proposal to JBIC for consideration under financial year 2004 loan package. The assistance for project depends on the decision of the Government of Japan on selection of the project.