

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3739
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BRAHMAPUTRA BOARD
Hussain Shri Anwar

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the recent devastating flood in North Eastern Region particularly Assam has exposed the failure of Brahmaputra Board in controlling floods;
- (b) if so, whether the Government is considering any plan to re-activate and revitalise the Board to make it more effective in controlling floods;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken thereon; and
- (d) the number of posts lying vacant in the Brahmaputra Board alongwith the time by which these are likely to be filled up?

Answer

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

- (a) No, Sir. Flood management is primarily the responsibility of the respective State Governments. The question of failure of Brahmaputra Board, therefore, does not arise.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Does not arise.
- (d) There are 30 vacant posts in Brahmaputra Board at present. These posts are in the process of filling up at different stages. The completion of the process however depends upon the availability of suitable and eligible candidates.