

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

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FLOOD IN UP AND BIHAR

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**Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether some parts of Uttar Pradesh and Bihar, are affected by flood every year resulting in loss of life and crops;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to tackle the flood problem in these parts, particularly the flood from the rivers originating from Nepal?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VINCENT H. PALA)

(a) & (c) Yes, Sir. As per the Report of Rashtriya Barh Ayog- 1980, an area of 7.336 m. ha up UP and an area of 4.26 m. ha. of Bohar are liable to floods and these areas get inundated during high floods.

(c) Water being a state subject, flood management schemes are planned, funded and executed by the State Governments as per their own priority. The role of Central Government is technical, catalytic and promotional in nature. However, to provide central assistance to the flood prone States. a state sector scheme, namely. `Flood management Programee (FMP)` amounting to Rs.8000 crore was approved `in principle` by the cabinet in its meeting held on 02.11.2007 for XI Plan. A number of schemes from Uttar Pradesh and Bihar have been included under the aforesaid Plan scheme.

In order to find long term solution to the recurrent floods from rivers coming from Nepal, the Government of India is in constant dialogue with the Government of Nepal to build up schemes on the rivers, namely Mahakali (Sarada), Karnali (Ghagra), Kamla, Bagmati, and Kosi, in Nepal.