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Title: Need to use river-friendly techniques.

SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE (RAVER): Rains falling on lands are drained into rivers running through lengths of catchments & finally discharged into seas in natural drain arrangements. Out of the total rainfall a part is absorbed in the land and the balance reaches the rivers. The absorption of water depends and differs from catchments to catchments and depends upon the land characteristics. Presently with availability of technology, water demand requirements for growing population, demand for more lands and industrial needs man is regulating nature's rivers and also encroaching on the rivers flood path for constructions. Also due to control of river for storage of water through barrages & dams, the downstream of the dam/barrages gradually dries up disturbing rivers' path. Through the august House, I request the Hon'ble Minister to depute a group of experts in this field to study the river-friendly techniques and chalk out proper river and rain management steps to maintain their geophysical characteristics and establish a model law to address these issues.