

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5398  
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AVAILABILITY OF WATER RESOURCES  
RAMSHETH THAKUR

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

- (a) whether the Government have conducted any survey to assess the availability of water resources in the country; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) & (b) As per the assessment made by the Central Water Commission in 1993, the average annual flow in the river systems of India is about 1869 Billion Cubic Metre (BCM), of which 1122 BCM is utilizable comprising of about 690 BCMs surface water and 432 BCM as replenishable Ground Water.