GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WATER RESOURCES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:554
ANSWERED ON:26.07.2000
FLOOD CONTROL
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the rivers flowing from Nepal are causing heavyflood and soil erosion in certain parts of the country particularly in Uttar Pradesh:
- (b) if so, the facts thereof;
- (c) whether any high level Central Team visited Nepal recently to undertake a joint site investigation of proposed multipurpose Sapta Koshi High Dam Project;
- (d) if so, the outcome thereof;
- (e) whether both the Prime Ministers of India and Nepal had discussed this issue during the NAM meeting; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the work on this project is likely to be commenced?

Answer

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

- (a) Yes Sir, the rivers flowing from Nepal are causing floods in Bihar and Uttar Pradesh.
- (b) During 1999 monsoon season 24 districts of Bihar and 11 districts of Uttar Pradesh were affected due to floods.
- (c) Yes Sir, a team led by Chief Engineer (Yamuna Basin), Central Water Commission visited Nepal fromJune 5-12, 2000 to attend the 1st Technical Level

Meeting between India and Nepal on the Project and to undertake the joint Indo Nepal field visit to the proposed Sapta Kosi High Dam and Sun Kosi Multipurpose project area.

- (d) The details of works and preliminary cost estimates for preparation of detailed project report in respect of Sapta Kosi High Dam and Sun Kosi Multipurpose project were jointly worked out during the visit.
- (e) There is no official record of the stated discussions.
- (f) Does not arise.