

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:981
ANSWERED ON:08.12.2003
ASSISTANCE TO WEST BENGAL FOR FLOOD CONTROL
NITISH SENGUPTA

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are aware of wide-spread flooding by rivers due to heavy rainfall in East Midnapore District of West Bengal particularly in Dugda Basin areas of Ramnagar and Egra PSs;
- (b) if so, whether the State Government has requested the Union Government for financial assistance;
- (c) if so, the reaction of the Union Government thereto;
- (d) whether any proposal has been received from the State Government for completion of Dugda Basin Rain Scheme by re-excavating the Kudi Canal and connecting it to the sea; and
- (e) if so, by when the proposal is likely to be cleared?

Answer

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

- (a) Yes, Sir. As informed by the Government of West Bengal, the State Government is aware of drainage congestion encountered in the district of Purba Medinipur (East Midnapore) particularly in the Dubda Basin area in P. S. Ramnagar and Egra, caused by Kudi-Negua Channel System, due to heavy downpour during the period from 05.10.2003 to 09.10.2003 caused by formation of a deep depression, in the Bay of Bengal.
- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) Does not arise.
- (d) No, Sir.
- (e) Does not arise.