

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

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SYMPOSIUM ON WATER MANAGEMENT

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

- (a) whether an international symposium was recently organised on water management;
- (b) if so, the details of deliberations held in this regard alongwith outcome thereof; and
- (c) the details of participating countries?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BHOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) An International Conference namely Rotary International Presidential Celebration on Water Management was held on December 9-10, 2003 at New Delhi, which was organised by the Rotary International.

(b) The deliberations were held on four major issues: "Conservation, Development and Management of Water Resources"; "Interlinking of Rivers"; "Development of Water Resources-with particular focus on Watershed Management and Rain Water Harvesting" and "Potable Water and Water Quality".

The outcome of Rotary International Presidential Celebration is in the form of action plan by Rotarians in respect of (i) creation of awareness and (ii) dissemination of knowledge & techniques of rainwater harvesting and efficient use of water through various clubs of Rotarians.

(c) Besides India, the Rotarians/other invitees from Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Thailand, U.S.A., Brazil, Israel, The Netherlands, Finland and Italy participated in the Conference.