

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

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FLOOD CONTROL

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

- (a) whether flood in Arunachal Pradesh have taken a heavy toll of human lives and several crucial bridges have been swept away and the villages are totally cut of from the rest of the State;
- (b) if so, whether Arunachal Pradesh Government have pointed out that China's Siang river called Sangyo in China is the main cause of devastating flood; and
- (c) if so, whether Union Government propose to provide financial assistance to the State Government and take up this issue with the Chinese Government to prevent such floods in the State in future?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI)

- (a) Yes, Sir. The State Government of Arunachal Pradesh has informed that due to flash flood in Siang river on 11.6.2000, 26 persons have died and three bridges namely Sagarm Bridge, Dite Dime bridge and Nubo bridge have been washed away. Four districts namely East Siang, Upper Siang, West Siang and Dibang Valley have been affected by the floods.
- (b) Yes, Sir. The Arunachal Pradesh Government has pointed out that the siang river in India which is called Tsangpo in China is the main cause of the flood.
- (c) In the current financial year 2000-2001, the Union Government has released Rs.4.40 crore to the State Government of Arunachal Pradesh from Calamity Relief Fund. To prevent such floods in the State in future, Government of India has taken up the issue with the Chinese Government.