

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA**

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DAL AND NAGEEN LAKES AS CENTRAL PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether both the projects for Dal and Nageen lakes have been approved to be taken up as Central Projects and also the improvement of navigation of the river Jhelum on the lines of the Ganga Action Plan;
- (b) if so, the progress made so far;
- (c) the estimated expenditure likely to be incurred thereon; and
- (d) the time by which it is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI)

- (a) The Conservation Plan of Dal and Nageen Lakes has been approved, `in principle` by Government to be taken as a Centrally Sponsored Project. However, the pollution abatement programme of Jhelum river on the lines of Ganga Action Plan has not been approved so far.
- (b) A detailed project report on the conservation plan of Dal and Nageen lakes is under preparation by the Roorkee University and is likely to be submitted by 31.8.2000.
- (c)&(d) The estimated cost of the project and the time of completion will be known only after the detailed project report is received.