

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

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REPAIR OF DAMS

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

- (a) whether a large number of dams are on the brink of collapse and need urgent repairs;
- (b) if so, the facts thereof;
- (c) whether the World Bank have provided funds for repair of such dams but the Government has not released funds to the State Governments; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor and the strategy formulated by the Government to repair all the dams in the country?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) & (b) The State Governments who are the owner of dams have not reported to the Central Government of any case of dam on the brink of collapse.

(c) & (d) A Dam Safety Assurance & Rehabilitation Project with the assistance of World Bank was taken up in 1991 and completed in 1999 for a total cost of Rs. 422.95 crore under which assistance was provided to the four participating States namely Madhya Pradesh, Orissa, Rajasthan and Tamil Nadu for renovation and rehabilitation of 33 dams and providing basic facilities to 182 dams.

Irrigation being a State subject the irrigation projects including repair of dams are planned, formulated, executed and funded by the State Governments out of their own resources and as per their priorities.