

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3934
ANSWERED ON:20.04.2010
EFFECT OF TSUNAMI ON DYKES
Ray Shri Bishnu Pada

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the permanent Dykes with sluice gate structure constructed during Britishers in 1930 got damaged during the Tsunami of December 2004 in Andaman & Nicobar Islands;
- (b) if so, whether Government proposes to construct permanent Dykes with sluice gate structure to protect saline water intrusion; and
- (c) the time by which the Dykes are likely to be constructed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)

- (a) Yes, Madam. The permanent dykes with Sluice Gate structure constructed during Britishers in 1930 got damaged during the Tsunami of 2004, in South Andaman.
- (b) Water and Power Consultancy Services Pvt. Ltd. (WAPCOS) who were engaged as a consultant by Andaman and Nicobar Islands Administration has submitted Detailed Project Reports for the construction of 9 Dykes with Sluice Gate at an estimated cost of Rs.36.94 crores.
- (c) Out of the 9 Dykes, 7 are expected to be completed by March 2011. The Empowered Group of Ministers in their meeting held on 11-02-2010 decided that the works relating to remaining two Dykes should be completed by December, 2011.