

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

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CONSERVATION OF DRYING RIVERS

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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a number of rivers including River Ganga and rivers of north east region are on the verge of drying;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the action plan formulated by the Government to save the rivers of country alongwith the funds allocated and released for the purpose;
- (d) whether any study has been conducted in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the outcome thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VINCENT H. PALA)

- (a) The analysis of flow data carried out by Central Water Commission and Brahmaputra Board indicates that the flow in the rivers varies from year to year primarily due to variation in the rainfall in the catchments area. However, the analysis of long term data of major rivers do not indicate significant declining trend.
- (b) to (e) Do not arise.