

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:244
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REPAIR AND RENOVATION OF PONDS
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government grants funds for repair and renovation of land revenue pond (Malgujari Talab) under any central scheme;
- (b) if so, the proposals received from the Government of Maharashtra for repair and renovation of pond in Vidarbha region; and
- (c) the funds granted for the purpose to Maharashtra specially to Vidarbha region?

Answer

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

- (a): Yes, Sir. Government of India has a Scheme of Repair, Renovation and Restoration of Water Bodies. The purpose of the scheme is comprehensive improvement of selected tank systems including restoration, improvement of catchment areas of tank, improvement in agriculture/ horticulture productivity and increase in recharge of ground water, development of tourism, cultural activities, etc.
- (b): 37 proposals have been received in Ministry of Water Resources for Repair, Renovation and Restoration of ponds/water bodies for various Districts of Vidarbha region.
- (c): No funds have been released for this purpose to the Government of Maharashtra so far.