

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

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DIVERSION OF RAIN WATER BY PAKISTAN
Bajwa Shri Partap Singh

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether instances of Pakistani authorities diverting rain water to India through Sutlej have come to the notice of the Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Pakistani authorities had also raised bundhs alongside the river flowing in their territory restricting its natural flow;
- (d) if so, whether the Government has taken up this matter with the Government of Pakistan; and
- (e) if so, the response of Government of Pakistan thereto?

Answer

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

- (a): No, Sir.
- (b): Does not arise.
- (c): There is some information about Pakistani bund construction with possible effect of pushing the river Ravi towards Indian side but there is no information of restriction imposed on the natural flow as a result.
- (d): River training works involving construction of bunds with possible effects of erosion of land on the other side is an item discussed in the meetings of the Permanent Indus Commission for the past few years.
- (e): Either side is of the view that training works are constructed along river Ravi on their side to protect their own territory from the adverse effects of such construction on the other side.