

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4802
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GUIDE BANDH IN UP
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the length of Guide bandh at Uttar Pradesh side constructed on river Gandhak at Baghan-Paniyawaha (Uttar Pradesh) is about one kilometre long and whether it is only about half kilometre long on Bihar side due to which the water is flowing into river Rohuwa and flood type situation has arisen in the Baghan city of Bihar;
- (b) if so, the details of steps taken to protect the Baghan City from the danger of flood; and
- (c) the steps taken to increase the length of Guide bandh on Bihar side upto one kilometre to check flow of water into river Rohuwa?

Answer

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

- (a) As per information available, the Bagaha Town is not endangered due to inadequacy of guide bandh in Bihar but due to an offshoot channel of Gandak river which is just downstream of the Bagaha-Chitauni Rail Bridge.
- (b) Requisite anti-erosion works on the left bank of river Gandak in the district West Champaran amounting to Rs.791.31 lakhs were undertaken for protection of Bagaha Town with central assistance under "Flood Management Programme" in the year 2007-08.
- (c) Flood control works are planned and executed by the concerned State Government as per their own priority. No proposal to increase the length of guide bandh on Bihar side to check flow of water into river Rohuwa has been received from the State Government.