

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

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FLOOD CONTROL MEASURES
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether comprehensive loss of life and property takes place in the country every year due to floods;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to check loss of life and property caused by floods?

Answer

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

(a) Yes , Sir.

(b) As per the reports received in Central Water Commission from State Revenue Authorities & Ministry of Home Affairs, the details of loss of life and property due to floods/ heavy rains during the last three years are given at Annexure-I.

(c) Central Water Commission maintains a network of 878 hydrological stations in the country and issues flood forecasts at 175 stations which are utilized by the concerned agencies to plan suitable evacuation measures to ensure safety of lives and property of people.

During XI Plan period, central assistance is being provided to all the flood affected states for flood control and river management works in critical reaches under a state sector scheme, namely, "Flood Management Programme (FMP)".

Besides, the Government of India is also having continued dialogue with neighboring countries viz. Nepal, China and Bhutan on matters related to flood forecasting and construction of storage dams to check floods in Indian territory due to rivers flowing from their territories.