

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1858  
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IRRIGATION FACILITIES IN RAJASTHAN  
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**Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has developed any technique or has made research to develop irrigation facilities in the deserts of Rajasthan; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b) Government of India has set up Central Arid Zone Research Institute (CAZRI) at Jodhpur, Rajasthan, inter alia, to carry out research to develop irrigation facilities in the deserts of Rajasthan through development of new varieties of crops, conservation of rainwater, adoption of micro techniques, like sprinkler and drip irrigation, etc.