

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3868  
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NON AVAILABILITY OF IRRIGATION FACILITIES  
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**Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the availability of water for irrigation has declined in the past five years; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the remedial measures being taken in this regard?

**Answer**

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

- (a) There is no report which suggests that the availability of water for irrigation for the country as a whole has declined in the past five years. However, available report indicate that gross irrigated area in the country has increased over the last few years.
- (b) Does not arise.