

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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INTEGRATED WATER MANAGEMENT
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Planning Commission has formulated any policy regarding integrated water management to overcome the water crisis in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Planning Commission has submitted the said policy documents; and
- (d) if so, the time by when the said policy is likely to be implemented?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) Planning Commission has informed that during the 55th meeting of National Development Council (NDC) held on 24.7.2010, it was decided that "The Planning Commission would prepare an integrated policy for water resources management that would be discussed in the future NDC meeting". In pursuance of the above decision Member (WR), Planning Commission made a presentation to the Prime minister on 6.4.11 and after the meeting it was decided that:

- (i) Ministry of Water Resources in consultation with the Planning Commission should prepare a comprehensive document on water related issues for consideration of NDC.
- (ii) Development of State specific action plans in consultation with the States on the lines indicated in the meeting.

On the decisions (i) and (ii) above, Planning Commission has constituted eight Working Groups and one Steering Committee chaired by Member (WR), Planning Commission for the formulation of the Twelfth Five Year Plan to address the issues involved in water management.