

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3594
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UNDER UTILISATION OF DAMS
Singh Rajkumari Ratna;Singh Shri Ijyaraj

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any survey to ascertain the number of dams laying idle for the last few years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) As per the updated National Register of Large Dams prepared by Central Water Commission(CWC), the total number of completed large dams in India is 4728. No survey has been conducted by Government of India to ascertain the utilization level of these dams.

(b) & (c) Irrigation being a State subject, the planning, execution, operation and maintenance of irrigation projects are carried out by State Governments from their own resources as per their own priorities.