

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HYDROLOGY
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has established the National Institute of Hydrology (NIH) at Roorkee;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the objectives of the NIH;
- (d) whether such an institute is proposed to be set up in Tamil Nadu as well; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) Yes Madam.

(b) The National Institute of Hydrology was established as an autonomous Society under the Ministry of Water Resources, in December, 1978 with Headquarters at Roorkee. The Union Minister for Water Resources is the President and the Union Minister of State for Water Resources is the Vice-President of the Society. The Institute is managed, administered, directed and controlled by the Governing Body with Secretary (WR) as its Chairman. NIH is an S&T organization conducting basic, applied and strategic research in the fields of hydrology and water resources in the country with 6 Regional Centres at Belgaum, Jammu Cantt., Sagar, Kakinada, Guwahati & Patna.

(c) The objectives of the National Institute of Hydrology are:

to undertake, aid, promote and coordinate systematic and scientific work in all aspects of hydrology;

to cooperate and collaborate with other national, foreign and international organizations in the field of hydrology;

to establish and maintain a research and reference library in pursuance of the objectives of the Society and equip the same with books, reviews, magazines and other relevant publications; and

to carry out all the activities that the Society may consider necessary, incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objectives for which the Institute has been established.

(d) No Madam

(e) Not applicable in view of (d) above.