

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2675  
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WATER FAMINE  
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**Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has announced setting up of a Rs. 24,000 crore Action Plan to meet the `water famine` in Bangalore;
- (b) if so, the aims and objectives and the broad contours of the proposed Plan;
- (c) whether the Government is aiming at a nation-wide strategy to improve the water quality, especially in States like Rajasthan;and
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the time frame by which it is likely to be implemented?

**Answer**

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

(a) No, Madam.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) & (d) Conservation of rivers & Lakes is an ongoing and collective effort of the Central and State Governments. Ministry of Environment & Forests is supplementing the efforts of the State Governments towards conservation of rivers and lakes under the centrally sponsored National River Conservation Plan (NRCP) & National Lake Conservation Plan (NLCP). In the State of Rajasthan, projects for pollution abatement amounting to Rs. 150.96 crore under NRCP and Rs. 222.30 crore under NLCP have been sanctioned so far.