

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

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REPAIR OF PONDS IN VIDARBHA
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has allocated any funds to repair and protect the British period ponds viz Mama ponds in the Vidarbha region of Maharashtra, under Repair, Renovation and Restoration (RRR) Scheme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the State Government of Maharashtra has submitted any proposal for providing financial assistance to increase the irrigation capacity of these ponds and for their maintenance; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) Government of India has released a sum of Rs 80.53 crore during 2011-12 to the State Government of Maharashtra against the proposal for 258 water bodies under the scheme of Repair, Renovation and Restoration (RRR) of water bodies which do not include Mama ponds in the Vidarbha region of Maharashtra.
- (c) & (d) State Government has submitted proposals for 258 water bodies during 2011-12 for increasing irrigation capacity of those water bodies which have been sanctioned by Government of India.