

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:85
ANSWERED ON:16.08.2012
FALL IN RESERVOIR LEVELS
Owaisi Shri Asaduddin;Sarvey Shri Sathyannarayana

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a fall in the water levels in the reservoirs due to weak monsoon;
- (b) if so, the details of the reservoirs along with their locations and storage capacities as compared to 2009 levels;
- (c) whether water is being discharged into the sea and going waste, resulting in drop in storage capacity;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the corrective steps being taken by the Government in coordination with the States to improve water levels in reservoirs/water bodies?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS & WATER RESOURCES (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL)

(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 85 REGARDING FALL IN RESERVOIR LEVELS BY SHRI SARVEY SATHYANARAYANA AND SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAIISI TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.08.2012.

(a) As per the storage of 84 important reservoirs every week by Central Water Commission, the storage of reservoirs in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra, Punjab, Tamilnadu, Tripura and West Bengal is less than their previous ten years average storages. In the States of Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa, Rajasthan, Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh, the storages are more.

(b) The State-wise details of 84 important reservoirs, weekly storage of which is monitored by Central Water Commission, along with their respective storages as on 08.08.2012 and 06.08.2009 is at Annexure.

(c) No, Madam.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) Keeping in view the possibility of delay in the onset of monsoon and also uneven spatial distribution which may result in some areas getting less than normal rainfall, the Ministry of Water Resources, Government of India issued an advisory on 9th July 2012 to the States/ Union Territories requesting them inter-alia to make judicious use of available water in the reservoirs and to use ground water to meet the situation to the extent necessary.