GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WATER RESOURCES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3062 ANSWERED ON:30.08.2012 FLOODS FROM RIVERS FLOWING FROM NEPAL Yadav Shri Ranjan Prasad

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether North Bihar is facing threat of inundation by the rivers that flow from Nepal in this rainy season; and
- (b) if so, the total losses suffered by the Bihar Government on account of thisin terms of loss of life and property during each of the last three years and the current year?

Answer

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

- (a) During rainy season of 2012, the flood situation in the rivers in North Bihar flowing from Nepal has been moderate to low so far, as observed by Central Water Commission and no threat to any embankment has so far been reported by the State Government of Bihar.
- (b) Specific information about flood damages in North Bihar is not available. However, flood damages in the State of Bihar during the years from 2009 to 2011 and in monsoon-2012 as compiled by Central Water commission on the basis of information received from State Government of Bihar and Ministry of Home Affairs, are given below:

Category and Unit of Flood damage Year-wise flood damage

2009 2010 2011 2012 (upto 26-8-2012)

Area of damaged to crops (mha) 0.040 0.010 0.163 - Value of damaged to crops (Rs. crore) 21.830 3.119 59.870 - Houses damaged (Nos.) 7674 15170 34906 822 Value of damage to houses (Rs. crore) 5.282 7.049 17.792 0.361 Value of damage to public property (Rs. crore) 5.301 1.592 25.786 1.622

Total damages crops, houses and public $32.413\ 11.760\ 103.448\ 1.982$ utilities (Rs.crore)