

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

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FLOOD CONTROL

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**Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether a very large area of land is affected every year due to floods in the country;
- (b) if so, the State-wise details of such areas in the country;
- (c) whether various countries like China, Netherlands etc. have developed mechanisms to prevent the devastation caused by floods;
- (d) if so, the details in this regard; and
- (e) the time by which the common people of the country are likely to be provided protection from the floods?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES( SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

- (a) The floods annually affect area of lands depending upon their magnitude of occurrence.
- (b) As per the data base maintained by Central Water Commission ( CWC) on the basis of information received from various State Governments, the State-wise details of the average annual area affected by floods during the period from 1953-2011 are given in Annex-I.
- (c)& (d) Information in this regard is not available.
- (e) Floods are recurrent phenomena in India against which absolute immunity is not feasible, therefore, indication of a time frame for protection against floods is not possible.