

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

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RIVER BANK EROSION
Baske Shri Pulin Bihar

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the erosion of river banks has become a recurrent event in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the measures taken/being taken by the Government to address the issue, Statewise; and
- (d) the funds allocated/spent for the purpose during the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) & (b) Yes, Madam. The erosion of river bank takes place depending upon the characteristics of river flows and material of river banks. The management of erosion including compilation of related data is done by the State Governments.

(c) The subject of management of river bank erosion falls within the purview of the State Governments and Union Government only supplements their efforts. In order to assist the State Governments in flood management and erosion control, the Government of India is providing central assistance to the States under Flood Management Programme and other schemes.

(d) The State-wise details of funds released to various States during last three years (2009-10 to 2011-12) and the current year (2012-13) for anti-erosion/flood management works under various plan schemes implemented by the Ministry of Water Resources are given in Annex-I.