

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

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JALKUNDI PROJECT

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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Jalkundi project on the rivers flowing to India from Nepal is proposed to be constructed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether an Agreement for the said project was signed between the Governments of India and Nepal in 1954 but the project has been pending ever since then;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken by both the countries to complete this project?

Answer

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

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) to (e) As per the information received from the Ministry of External Affairs, survey work for Jalkundi Dam Project was undertaken in 1955 with the approval of the Government of Nepal. The project aimed to provide flood mitigation, irrigation facilities and hydel power to both India and Nepal. The project did not progress beyond the survey stage as its cost benefit ratio was not favourable.