

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANAGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4244
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CAPACITY OF INDIRA GANDHI FEEDER
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANAGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any difference between the capacity of Head works and the designed capacity of the Indira Gandhi Feeder at Harike; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with steps taken for optimum utilisation of capacity to reduce the wastage of water during floods?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION;
PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND TEXTILES (INDEPENDENT CHARGE).(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) As informed by the Government of Punjab, the capacity of Head Regulator at Harike is 15000 cusec and the designed capacity of Indira Gandhi Feeder is 18500 cusec. During floods, silt content of water entering canal may be greater than desirable .Therefore, it may not be possible to utilise excess water during floods, as it may cause silting of canal.