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FLOODS MITIGATION IN TELANGANA

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Will the Minister of **JAL SHAKTI** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware of the devastation caused by floods in various districts of Telangana during Monsoon 2024, if so, the recent steps taken by Government to prevent such devastation and for flood mitigation; and
- (b) whether Government is considering the construction of a retaining wall along the banks of the Munneru river in Khammam district, if so, the progress made so far?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI RAJ BHUSHAN CHOUDHARY)

(a) Government of India is aware of the floods in various districts of Telangana during the Monsoon of 2024. The central team has started conducting the Post Disaster Needs Assessment (PDNA) to assess the damage and needs for flood-affected areas.

Under State Disaster Relief Fund (SDRF), an amount of Rs. 416.80 Crore has been released to Government of Telangana by the Union Government during 2024-25 upto 31.11.2024.

Further, Central Water Commission (CWC) issues short-range flood forecasts with lead times of up to 24 hours, as well as 7-day Flood Advisory Forecasts, as a non-structural measure of flood management to reduce loss of life and ensure proper reservoir operation.

Presently, flood forecasts are issued by CWC at 340 stations (140 Inflow Forecast Stations + 200 Level Forecast Stations) as per Standard Operating Procedure. The network has been established in consultation with State Govt./Project authorities. There are total 15 (10 inflow & 5 level) Flood Forecasting Stations in Telangana maintained by CWC.

During current monsoon season till 30th November 2024, a total of 311 forecasts (243 inflow forecasts & 68 level forecasts) were issued for the State of Telangana of which 305 forecasts were within limit with an accuracy of 98.07%. The flood forecasts formulated by CWC have been shared with the State Government and district authority.

(b) Flood management and anti-erosion schemes are formulated and implemented by concerned State Governments as per their priority. The Union Government supplements the efforts of the States by providing technical guidance and also promotional financial assistance for management of floods in critical areas under Flood Management and Border Areas Programme (FMBAP).

At present, project namely "Construction of a retaining wall along the banks of the Munneru river in Khammam district" has not been received from State Government of Telangana under FMBAP.
