

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether rivers originating in the hills are causing erosion in Balmikinagar region and huge damage is caused to the farming activities and roads and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is taking any steps to check erosion caused by these rivers; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND
GANGA REJUVENATION & PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS

(SHRI ARJUN RAM MEGHWAL)

- (a) Yes, Madam. The rivers originating in the hills have eroded the left bank of river Gandak at some locations.
- (b)&(c) The Water Resources Department (WRD), Government of Bihar is taking up preventive measures by executing anti-erosion works and other protection works. Some of the anti-erosions works are as follows:
 - 1) Anti-erosion work for the protection of Balmikinagar forest area in a length of 3700 meter on the left bank of river Gandak in the downstream of Gandak Barrage.
 - 2) Anti-erosion work for the protection of left bank in a length of 1080 meter in the upstream of Gandak Barrage in Balmikinagar.

The subject of flood management being under the purview of the States, the schemes for flood control are formulated and implemented by concerned States as per their priority. The Union Government supplements the efforts of the States by providing technical guidance and promotional financial assistance under the State-Sector, "Flood Management Programme (FMP)" for undertaking works related to flood control, river management, anti-erosion, removal of drainage congestion and anti-sea erosion.
