

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI,
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †1075
ANSWERED ON 27.06.2019

LOSS DUE TO FLOODS

†1075. SHRI RAMPRIT MANDAL

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Eastern Uttar Pradesh, Northern Bihar and West Bengal are economically affected due to the flowing rivers from Nepal which takes the form of floods in the Monsoon season;
- (b) if so, the details of average economic loss annually due to floods;
- (c) whether the Government has held talks with the concerned departments in Nepal to stop this excess water flow; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI & SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA)

(a) & (b) The States of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and West Bengal are affected due to the flowing rivers from Nepal which often cause floods in the Monsoon season. Central Water Commission compiles the details of annual damage due to the floods as per information provided by the State Governments. These data are available from year 1953 onwards. The State-wise average damages for Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and West Bengal for the period from 1953 to 2017 is at **Annexure I**.

(c) & (d) Currently, the Flood Forecasting & Early Warning System of rivers flowing from Nepal to India is in place. Government of India is having continuous dialogue with the Government of Nepal at various levels to mitigate devastation caused by the flood havoc from the rivers coming from Nepal through various storage dams like Panchswar multipurpose project, Saptakosi-Sun Kosi project etc., contemplated jointly by both the Governments. Government of India has been regularly taking up this matter with the Government of Nepal through various bilateral mechanisms in the sector of water resources such as the Joint Committee on Inundation and Flood Management as well as the Joint Committee on Kosi and Gandak Projects. Government has been cooperating continuously with the Government of Nepal in the areas of flood forecasting and hydro meteorological data sharing.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) & (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†1075 TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 27.06.2019 REGARDING “LOSS DUE TO FLOODS”

Statement showing the average damages due to floods in Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal during the period 1953 to 2017											
Sl · N	Name of State	Area affecte d in Mha	Populati on affected in million	Damage to Crops		Damage to Houses		Cattle lost Nos.	Hum a-n Lives Lost Nos.	Damag e to Public Utilitie s	Total damages Crops, Houses and Public Damages in Rs.Crore
				Area in Mha	Value in Rs. Crore	Numbers	Value in Rs. Crores				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1	BIHAR	4.26	29.985	2.24	768.38	1398484	831.45	10105	1287	1035.1 6	2310.65
2	UTTAR PRADESH	7.340	30.350	5.200	967.53	1923134	254.55	7430	1390	3252.8 3	3315.43
3	WEST BENGAL	3.08	21.80	2.49	11433.68	2194858	9158.28	221826	2730	6023.9 6	25353.27
