

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI,
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA
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CREATION OF NEW MINISTRY

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Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has created and started a new ministry named as Jal Shakti and the flood and erosions schemes are undertaken and implemented by the new ministry; and
(b) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI & SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
(SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA)

(a) & (b) Yes. A new Ministry named “Ministry of Jal Shakti” has been created by merging erstwhile Ministry of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation and Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation.

Flood management including anti-erosion schemes are planned, investigated and implemented by the State Governments with their own resources as per priority within the State. The Union Government supplements the efforts of the States by way of technical guidance and promotional financial assistance to the States for flood management in critical areas.

Government of India launched a Flood Management Programme (FMP) during XI Plan for providing central assistance to the State Governments for taking up works related to river management, flood control, anti-erosion, drainage development, flood proofing works, restoration of damaged flood management works and anti-sea erosion works which was continued.

A total of 522 projects with an estimated cost of Rs.13238.36 crore were approved and included under FMP. The total Central assistance released to States under FMP since start of XI Plan up till March, 2019 is Rs.5863.95 crore.

Flood Management Programme (FMP) and River Management Activities & Works related to Border Areas (RMBA) schemes continuing during XII Five Year Plan, have been merged into a single scheme "Flood Management and Border Areas Programme" (FMBAP) for the three year period from 2017-18 to 2019-20.
