

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI,  
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA  
REJUVENATION  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2712**  
ANSWERED ON 17.03.2022

**FLOODS IN PORBANDER**

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

- (a) the steps taken by the Government to prevent the loss of crops in thousands of acres of farmers' land due to floods during the rainy season in Gher region of Porbander in Gujarat along with the details of discussions held with the State Government in this regard;
- (b) the action taken by the Ministry to provide permanent solution to the said problem, such as to build flood protection walls in the affected villages adjacent to the river bank and to widen and desilt the river bed; and
- (c) whether the Ministry proposes to conduct comprehensive studies by independent consultant and to provide special financial package for it and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI BISHWESWAR TUDU)

(a) to (c) : Flood management including erosion control falls within the purview of the States. 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 promotional financial assistance for management of floods in critical areas. State Government of Gujarat has informed that due to continuous flooding of rivers mainly Bhadar, Ozat, Minsar, Venu in rainy season, the Gher region of Porbandar faces problems of flood inundation which further gets compounded during high tide level of the sea as flood discharge in river cannot be passed to sea during high tide. In order to mitigate the effects of floods, State Government is taking necessary steps like desilting of existing canals, widening and re-grading of river, construction of flood protection walls along farm banks etc. as per requirement.

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