GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI, DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION

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INTER-STATE COORDINATION FOR DAM WATER STORAGE

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

(a) whether the Government has envisaged or already put in place any mechanism for inter-State coordination of dam water storage and water release to avoid upstream flooding in the Krishna river basin in western Maharashtra which leads to severe floods in Satara, Sangli and Kolhapur districts of Maharashtra especially in the monsoon season; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI (SHRI BISHWESWAR TUDU)

(a) & (b) For effective inter-state coordination of dam water storage and water release to avoid upstream flooding in the Krishna river basin in western Maharashtra, regular meetings of all stakeholders are held. Recently, a meeting on 'Preparedness for Flood Management for Krishna Basin' was held at Hyderabad with the project authorities of important reservoirs in Krishna Basin, officials of Water Resources Department, Disaster Management Department of the states of Maharashtra, Karnataka, Telangana and Andhra Pradesh, Indian Metrological Deportment (IMD) Hyderabad, National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC) and Central Water Commission in May, 2022 under the Chairmanship of Chief Engineer, Krishna & Godavari Basin Organisation, CWC. The modalities for data exchange and monitoring of flood between Karnataka and Maharashtra were discussed. Further, Inter State Flood Coordination Committee (IFCC) has been established between Maharashtra and Karnataka for proper management of floods in Krishna Basin. Besides above, an Inter-state coordination meeting has taken place under the chairmanship of Chief Secretary, Government of Maharashtra with all stakeholders regarding preparedness for flood in monsoon season.