

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 489

ANSWERED ON 25.07.2024

FLOODS IN UTTAR PRADESH

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that various districts of Uttar Pradesh suffer huge loss of life and property every year due to flood in river Ghaghara and its tributaries during the last three years and if so, the details of the extent of loss of life and property thereof;
- (b) the reasons for non-decline in loss of life and property due to floods in spite of assurances made by the Government; and
- (c) the concrete steps taken by the Government to ensure security of life and property?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI RAJ BHUSHAN CHOUDHARY)

- (a) Yes, various districts of Uttar Pradesh suffer loss of life and property due to flood in river Ghaghara and its tributaries. The details of the extent of loss of life and property in 10 districts in the Ghagara basin is given in **Annexure**.
- (b) India faces floods almost every year, in varying degrees of magnitude. Providing absolute protection to all flood prone areas against all magnitude of floods is practically not possible. Integrated flood approach aims at adopting judicious mix of structural and non-structural measures to provide a reasonable degree of protection against flood damages at economic cost.
- (c) Following steps have been taken by Uttar Pradesh Government to ensure security of life and property:

- i. As a structural measure of flood management, total 523 nos. of flood embankments of 3869 km length along the banks of different rivers have been constructed by Irrigation and Water Resources Department, Government of Uttar Pradesh.
- ii. Installation of Automatic Weather Station and Automatic Raingauge across the State.
- iii. Establishment of the shelters in the flood prone districts.
- iv. Establishment of Doppler Radar in five districts.

In addition to above, Central Water Commission (CWC) issues station-specific flood forecasts as a non-structural measurement of flood management at identified river locations in the State. CWC have 44 flood forecasting sites in Uttar Pradesh in which three level forecast sites and one inflow forecasting sites are on Ghaghara river.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 489 TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 25.07.2024 REGARDING “FLOODS IN UTTAR PRADESH”.

Details of damage due to Flood in Uttar Pradesh during the last three years

Year	Lives Lost		Complete loss of Pacca House	Complete loss of Kachha House	Partially damaged Pacca House	Partially damaged Kachha House	Damaged Hut	Damaged public property
	Human	Animal						
2021-22	26	16	420	85	43	596	766	2
2022-23	9	7	146	347	38	499	1703	4
2023-24	0	0	116	53	12	0	140	0
