

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

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 911**

ANSWERED ON 04.12.2025

**LAND EROSION ALONG BANKS OF GANGA RIVER IN BIHAR**

†911. SHRI RAJESH RANJAN:

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that several villages along the banks of the Ganga river including those from Kursela to Manihari in Bihar have been washed away due to erosion caused by recent floods in the river;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has identified the erosion-prone sites along the Ganga river and formulated any action plan to prevent further erosion; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI**

(SHRI RAJ BHUSHAN CHOUDHARY)

**(a) to (c)** As per information received from State Government of Bihar, villages in Manihari, Burari and Kursela blocks in Katihar district along river Ganga, are affected by soil erosion caused due to floods.

Morphological study of Ganga river has been carried out by IIT Roorkee using remote sensing technique. This study play an important role in understanding the nature of rivers in a comprehensive manner and provide assessment of decadal bank-line movement, erosion and deposition in different reaches in respect of base year and identification of critical reaches. These studies have been shared with concerned State Governments and other stakeholders etc. for taking informed decision and future planning.

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 also promotional financial assistance for management of floods in critical areas.

Union Government had implemented a centrally sponsored scheme, namely, Flood Management Programme (FMP) during XI & XII Plans for providing central assistance to States for works related to flood control, anti-erosion, drainage development, anti-sea erosion, etc. which subsequently continued as a component of "Flood Management and Border Areas Programme" (FMBAP). Total 48 flood management projects with an estimated cost of Rs. 1866.50 Cr. have been included for central funding under FMP component of FMBAP scheme, out of which central assistance amounting to Rs. 924.40 Cr. has been released to Govt. of Bihar.

No proposal to control the erosion from Kursela to Manihari in Bihar on Ganga river has been received from the State Government.

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