

(c) No, Sir. There is no specific trend in variation in water flow in the last five years.

(d) Annual flow of river Godavari for the past eight years at Polavaram site is as below:—

Year.	In million m ³
1985-86	56,241
1986-87	1,05,284
1987-88	35,087
1988-89	1,35,612
1989-90	94,225
1990-91	1,84,044
1991-92	71,590
1992-93	86,938

There is no specific trend in variation in water flow in river Godavari in last eight years.

Pending Irrigation projects of Maharashtra

1727. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are any proposals of Maharashtra State which are pending for clearance or for seeking external assistance to construct irrigation projects in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when these projects are likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) No proposal of Government of Maharashtra seeking external assistance for irrigation projects is pending with the Union Government.

(b) to (c) Do not arise.

Soil Conservation and Water Shed Projects

1728. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are taking measures to implement soil conservation and watershed projects as a part of Government's programme to control floods;

(b) whether any such project has been implemented in Orissa;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of the funds provided for those projects to the State of Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) A Centrally sponsored Scheme of integrated watershed management in the catchment of flood prone rivers in Gangetic basin is being implemented in the catchment of the Sone, the Ajoy, the Punpun, the Ghaggar, Upper Yamuna, Upper Ganga; the Sahibi, the Gomti, and the Roopnarayan covering the states of Bihar, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Punjab and West Bengal. To some extent these measures help in controlling low floods but do not help in controlling high floods.

(b) to (d) The State of Orissa is not covered under this scheme.

Distribution of water amongst States

1729. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any concrete measures for the distribution of water amongst the States in the country;