Flood control measures for coastal areas

†1857. SHRI RAGHUNANDAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is contemplating certain measures to mitigate the effects of floods in coastal areas;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government is contemplating to construct reservoirs on large scale for storing flood waters for irrigation or for planned marketing of flood waters;
 and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) and (b) Government of India launched Flood Management Programme during Eleventh Plan for providing Central assistance to various State Governments for undertaking works related to river management, flood control, anti-erosion, drainage development, restoration of earlier damaged flood management works and anti-sea erosion. Under this Programme, Central assistance of Rs. 2.00 crore was provided to the Government of Gujarat for construction of sea walls and anti-erosion works in Jamnagar and Surat districts of Gujarat. Continuation of Flood Management Programme during Twelfth Plan is envisaged.

- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise in view of reply under part (c) above.

Promotion of water conservation and management

1858. DR. JANARDHAN WAGHMARE:

SHRI ISHWAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government organizes awareness/training programmes for promotion of water conservation and management;

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