

Some initiatives/measures taken by the Central Government for water conservation and rain water harvesting are available at the URL: [http://mowr.gov.in/sites/default/files/MeasuresForGW-Depletion\\_1.pdf](http://mowr.gov.in/sites/default/files/MeasuresForGW-Depletion_1.pdf)

### **Dams on the Himalayas**

238. SHRI REWATI RAMAN SINGH: Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that fasting is being done by sages on account of dams on the Himalayas and to ensure uninterrupted flow of the Ganga stream;

(b) whether it is also a fact that many sages who were sitting on fast went missing; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI (SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA): (a) No, Sir. At present, there is no report of fasting by sages related to dams in Himalayas and for ensuring uninterrupted flow of Ganga.

(b) and (c) As informed by State authorities, there is no such instance of sage going missing, who was sitting on fast.

### **Provision of drinking water to households**

†239. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any plan to ensure drinking water to every household through taps; and

(b) if so, whether priority will be given to these places where there is presence of Arsenic in groundwater?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI (SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA): (a) and (b) The matter is under consideration of the Government.

### **Price adjustment charges for Polavaram Project**

240. DR. K.V. P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has not been reimbursing the expenditure

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† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.