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**Question : Unstarred: Diary No : 54: Answer Date: 20-07-2023****From :** Question Branch D <qbrd-iss@sansad.nic.in>

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**Subject :** Question : Unstarred: Diary No : 54: Answer  
Date: 20-07-2023**To :** Parliament Section <parl-mowr@nic.in>

LOK SABHA

D.No 54

Ministry to which the day has been allotted : JAL SHAKTI  
Sitting on the : 20-07-2023

Old Dams

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI

- (a) whether it is a fact that some major river dams have been very old and developed cracks;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has identified such dams;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (d) the precautionary measures taken by the Government for the safety of those dams?

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Government of India भारत सरकार  
Ministry of Jal Shakti जल शक्ति मंत्रालय  
Department of Water Resources, RD& GR जल संसाधन नदी विकास और गंगा संरक्षण विभाग  
(Peninsular Rivers Section) / प्रायद्वीपीय नदी अनुभाग

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Room No. 353-C  
Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi,  
dated: 11.07.2023

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**


**Subject: Lok Sabha provisionally admitted unstarred/starred question with Dy. No. 54 to be answered on 20/07/2023 regarding "Old Dams".**

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of Lok Sabha provisionally admitted unstarred/starred question with Dy. No. 54 to be answered on 20/07/2023 on the subject mentioned above and to request to furnish reply information in the matter latest by 13/07/2023 along with supplementary note in Word Format at [uspenriv-mowr@nic.in](mailto:uspenriv-mowr@nic.in) and [sopenriv-mowr@nic.in](mailto:sopenriv-mowr@nic.in).

2. The text of the question is reproduced below: -

- a) whether it is a fact that some major river dams have been very old and developed cracks;
- b) if so, whether the Government has identified such dams;
- c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- d) the precautionary measures taken by the Government for the safety of those dams?

Incl. as above.

  
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- 2) Chairman, NDSA, Sewa Bhawan, R.K Puram New Delhi.
- 3) Project Director, DRIP Phase II & III, Central Water Commission, Sewa Bhawan New Delhi.

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From

Secretary

To

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Memo No. : 1368-71 /B-224/12/DHD

Dated: 13.07.2023

**Subject: Lok Sabha Provisionally admitted unstarred/ Starred Question with Dy. No. 54 to be answered on 20.07.2023 regarding "Old Dams".**

With reference to the Ministry of Jal Shakti, Government of India, New Delhi email dated 12.07.2023 on the above cited subject, the requisite information is as under:

Sr. No.	Question	Reply
a)	whether it is a fact that some major river dams have been very old and developed cracks ?	BBMB under the aegis of Ministry of Power is managing four large dams namely Bhakra Dam, Nangal Dam, Pong Dam & Pandoh Dam on Satluj and Beas rivers. These dams were constructed in the year from 1951 to 1977 and are old. As per Section 31(1) & (2) of Dam Safety Act, 2021, every owner of specified dam shall undertake every year through their Dam Safety Unit, a pre-monsoon and post-monsoon inspection in respect of each dam and also during and after every flood, earthquake or any other natural and man-made calamities. BBMB has completed pre-monsoon inspection of four specified dams during May,2023 through its Dam Safety Units and Overall condition of dams based on above inspections is satisfactory and are placed in Category-III i.e. minor remedial measures which

		are rectifiable during the year. Hence, all the dams under BBMB are safe as on date.
b)	If so, whether the Government has identified such dams?	Does not relate to BBMB.
c)	If so, the details thereof, State-wise and	Does not relate to BBMB.
d)	The precautionary measures taken by the Government for the safety of those dams?	Does not relate to BBMB.

This bears the approval of the Competent Authority.

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
o/c Secretary

CC:

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