

PARLIAMENT QUESTION: Research Projects in Jammu and Kashmir

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Under the Hydrology and Cryosphere programme, Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES) sanctioned a project jointly to the University of Kashmir and IIT Roorkee titled “*Identifying current and future GLOF risk over contrasting topographic and climate zones of Indian Himalaya using Earth observation data and modelling*” at a total cost of Rs. 91.2 lakhs in 2022.

The proposed study aims to develop and implement a comprehensive methodological approach to investigate glacial lakes across different time scales and assess their hazard potential using physically based models in contrasting climatological, geomorphological, and topographic zones across the Indian Himalayan Region (IHR). This will improve understanding and prediction of lake formation and the associated hazards and risks to downstream areas with human populations and infrastructure.

MoES has released a total amount of Rs. 62.03 lakhs in the last 3 years.

This information was given by the Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Earth Sciences Dr. Jitendra Singh in a written reply in Lok Sabha today.

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