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Dear Shri Choudhury,

I have great pleasure in presenting to you the Report of the Rashtriya Barh Ayog constituted by the Government of India Resolution No. FC-52(1)/76, dated 2nd July, 1976.

The problem of floods has been receiving increasing attention, especially since 1954 when the National Flood Policy was announced. However, the increase in flood incidence during recent years has been causing concern. It was in this context that the Ayog—the first of its kind—was set up to examine and advise on various aspects relating to floods. We have attempted to do so in this Report and made relevant recommendations.

We hope that these recommendations will receive due consideration from the Governments in the Centre and the States and pave the way for scientific management of floods and mitigation of misery caused by them.

Finally, I would like to thank the Government of India for the confidence reposed in entrusting this work to us

With regards,

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