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RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 91

ANSWERED ON 01.12.2025

CURRENT STATUS OF EASTERN RAJASTHAN CANAL PROJECT

91. # SHRI RAJENDRA GEHLOT:

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of Eastern Rajasthan Canal Project;
- (b) whether it is being considered to include it as a national project; and
- (c) the proposed timeline for its approval and funding?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI RAJ BHUSHAN CHOUDHARY)

(a) To optimize the utilization of water resources of the Chambal River System, and following deliberations with the States of Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh, a proposal for the Modified Parbati–Kalisindh–Chambal (MPKC) link has been formulated. This proposal integrates the components suggested by the Government of Madhya Pradesh in the Kuno, Parbati, and Kalisindh sub-basins, together with the components of the Eastern Rajasthan Canal Project (ERCP) as proposed by the Government of Rajasthan.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed on 28.01.2024, followed by a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) on 05.12.2024 among the States of Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, and the Union Government for the implementation of the link project.

The Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) pertaining to the Rajasthan components have been completed and submitted to the Central Water Commission (CWC) under the Ministry of Jal Shakti for techno-economic appraisal.

(b) & (c) No proposal for inclusion of ERCP as National Project is presently under consideration in this Ministry. The inclusion and funding of any project, including those relating to interlinking of rivers, is subject to prevailing guidelines and policy frameworks issued by the Government of India, approval of competent authorities at appropriate levels after due appraisal and consultation, and availability of funds.
