GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION

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CONSTRUCTION OF RESERVOIRS

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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether water crisis can be minimized by arranging supply of water from areas having lesser demands to areas having greater demands;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in that direction along with the areas/ locations where such arrangements have been made; and
- (c) the details of the surface water reservoirs constructed during the last three years along with their storage capacity, State-wise?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION

(DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

- (a) Yes, Madam. The inter-linking of rivers is considered to be essential for addressing the water scarcity and flooding problem in the country.
- (b) This Ministry has formulated a National Perspective Plan for water resources development envisaging inter-basin transfer of water in the country. The projects under the ILR Programme are at various stages of planning. National Water Development Authority (NWDA) has identified 30 links (16 under Peninsular Component & 14 under Himalayan Component) for preparation of Feasibility Reports. After survey and investigations feasibility Reports of 14 links under Peninsular Component and two links in the Himalayan components have been prepared.

Based on the concurrence of concerned States four priority links for preparation of Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) have been identified viz; Ken-Betwa link project Phase-I & II, Damanganga-Pinjal link, Par-Tapi-Narmada link and Mahanadi-Godavari link. The DPRs of Ken-Betwa link project Phase-I & II, Daman-Ganga-Pinjal, Par-Tapi-Narmada have been prepared and shared with the States.

(c) The reassessment of live storage capacity of completed, under construction and under consideration projects was carried out in 2010. As per this assessment, live storage capacity of completed, under construction and under consideration projects were 253.33 Billion Cubic Meter (BCM), 50.959 BCM and 104 BCM respectively. The details of the surface water reservoirs constructed during the last three years are available with the respective States.
