

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES,  
RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2403**  
ANSWERED ON 16.03.2017

**RIVER DEVELOPMENT/RESTORATION PROJECTS**

2403. SHRIMATI V. SATHYA BAMA

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has taken any action on the requests made by the Government of Tamil Nadu for certain river development and restoration projects under the Vision Tamil Nadu-2023;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the names of projects underway alongwith those to be undertaken during the coming two years;
- (c) the quantum of the funds earmarked and allocated for such projects during each of the last three years; and
- (d) whether the Union Government has granted funds for the infrastructure development of river development and restoration projects in Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION  
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(a) to (d) No such proposal has been received in this Ministry. However, the Water Resources Department, Government of Tamil Nadu submitted a project proposal entitled "Climate Adaptation in Vennar Sub-Basin in Cauvery Delta Project (CAVSCDP)" to the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change during February, 2016.

The project includes six rivers/drains, namely, Harichandara river, Adappar river, Pandavayar river, Vellaiyar river, Valavanar drain and Vedaraniyam Canal in the Vennar irrigation system in Thiruvarur and Nagapattinam District of Tamil Nadu. This project proposal was considered by the Expert Appraisal Committee (EAC) for River Valley and Hydro Electric Power Projects (RV&HEP) in its meetings held on 2-3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2016 and a letter was issued to the Government of Tamil Nadu on 9.9.2016 mentioning that the project does not require Environmental Clearance.

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