

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES,
RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1660
ANSWERED ON 28.12.2017

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW DAMS

1660. SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA

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

(a) whether the Union Government has received any proposals during the last three years and the current year for construction of new dams in the country particularly in Karnataka and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any damage has been caused and farmers are facing problems after water distribution of Cauvery and Mahadayi rivers amongst Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Goa and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken/to be taken to overcome the situation?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI ARJUN RAM MEGHWAL)

(a) Yes, Madam. During the last three years, Central Water Commission (CWC) has received 29 proposals for construction of new dams for techno-economic appraisal. Out of these, nine proposals have already been accepted by the Advisory Committee of MoWR, RD & GR. The details are at **Annexure-I**. Out of these nine proposals, two proposals have already been accepted by MoWR, RD & GR for investment clearance as per **Annexure-II**. Project proposals which are currently under appraisal in CWC is given at **Annexure-III**. Regional Office of CWC at Bengaluru received a report namely Detailed Project Report (DPR) of “Mekedatu Balancing Reservoir cum Drinking Water Project” from Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Limited (CNNL) of Government of Karnataka on 07.06.2017. As per the report, the proposed project was a drinking water cum power generation project. The estimated cost of the proposed project was Rs. 5912 crore. As the detailed information required for a DPR was not included in the Report, it was examined in CWC considering it as a Pre-Feasibility Report and was returned to Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Limited, Bengaluru on 07.07.2017 with observations/ comments.

(b) No specific information regarding the damage to the crops has been received from the State Governments of Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Goa.

(c) Union Government constituted Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal (CWDT) to adjudicate the water dispute over the river Cauvery among the States of Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Kerala and Puduchery (Pondichery). CWDT has submitted its reports and decision under Section 5 (2) of Inter-State River Water Disputes Act, 1956 on 5th February, 2007. Hon’ble Supreme Court is seized of implementation order dated 05.02.2007 of CWDT. The hearing in the case is concluded and judgment is reserved by the Hon’ble Supreme Court. Further, Union Government constituted Mahadayi Water Disputes Tribunal (MWDT) to adjudicate the dispute over the water allocation of the river Mahadayi among the States of Karnataka, Maharastra and Goa.

ANNEXURE - I**PROJECT PROPOSALS WITH CONSTRUCTION OF NEW DAMS ACCEPTED BY THE
ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF MOWR, RD & GR IN LAST 3 YEARS**

S. No.	TAC Meeting No.	Date of Meeting	Name of the Project	State benefitted	Type of Projects	Cost (in Rs. crore)	Area Irrigated (in ha)
1.	129th	08.07.2016	Kosi-Mechi Intrastate Link Project	Bihar	New, Major	4900 (PL 2015-16)	2,10,516
2.	129th	08.07.2016	Damanganga-Pinjal Link Project (3 Dams)	Maharashtra	New, Drinking water	3008.49 (PL 2015)	
3.	129th	08.07.2016	Ken Betwa Link Project (Phase-I) ((Daudhan Dam)	Uttar Pradesh /Madhya Pradesh	New, Major	18057.08 (PL 2015-16)	635,661
4.	129th	08.07.2016	Bhaunrat Dam Project	Uttar Pradesh	New, Medium	612.78 (2015-16)	16,000
5.	129th	08.07.2016	Project for Providing Irrigation Facilities to 15 Villages of Babina Block	Uttar Pradesh	New, Medium	246.8433 (PL 2015-16)	4,400
6.	130th	30.09.2016	Burahi Reservoir Project	Jharkhand	New, Major	1520.87 (PL 2016-17)	33500
7.	130th	30.09.2016	Arpa Bhisajhar Barrage Project	Chhattisgarh	New, Major	1141.90 (2014-15)	25000
8.	130th	30.09.2016	Pawai Irrigation Project	Madhya Pradesh	New, Medium	261.54 (PL 2009)	9952
9.	132nd	06.03.2017	Renukaji Dam Project	Himachal Pradesh	Multipurpose	4596.76 (PL 2015-16)	Drinking water & Power
Total 9 projects							

**PROJECT PROPOSALS WITH CONSTRUCTION OF NEW DAMS ACCEPTED BY
INVESTMENT CLEARANCE COMMITTEE (ICC) , MOWR RD & GR**

S. No.	ICC Meeting No.	Date of Meeting	Name of the Project	States benefitted	Type of Project	Estimated Cost
1.	4 th	29.12.2016	Burhai Reservoir Project	Jharkhand	New, Major	1520.87 Crore (P.L. 2016-17)
2.	5 th	10.02.2017	Ken- Betwa Link Project (Phase-1) (Daudhan Dam)	Uttar Pradesh & Madhya Pradesh.	New, Major	18057.08 Crore (P.L. 2015-16)

Total Projects- 2

**PROJECT PROPOSALS WITH CONSTRUCTION OF NEW DAMS UNDER APPRAISAL IN
CWC**

S. No.	State	No. of Dams	Name of Projects
1.	Madhya Pradesh	4	Bina Complex Irrigation and Multipurpose Project, Dudhi Irrigation Project ,Shakkar Irrigation Project & Barna IrrigationProject
2.	Rajasthan	1	Parwan Multipurpose Project
3	Gujarat/Maharashtra Link Project (NWDA)	5	Par-Tapi-Narmada Link Project(5 Dams)
4	Andhra Pradesh	1	Vamsadhara Phase- II Stage- II
5	Telangana	1	Kaleshwaram Project
6	Karnataka	1	Sharavathy pumped storage project (2000 MW)
7	Maharashtra	3	Lower Tapi Project, Jigaon Project & Upper Pravera(Nilwande)
8	Odisha	4	Middle Kolab Multipurpose ,Tel Integrated Multipurpose, Nabarangpur irrigation project & Khadaga Irrigation project.
	Total	20	