

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES,  
RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. ‡2159**  
ANSWERED ON 08.03.2018

**BUDHI GANDAK NOON BAYA GANGA RIVER LINK**

‡2159.       SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI

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

- (a) whether NWDA has prepared the DPR of Budhi Gandak Noon Baya Ganga river link;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the reaction of the Government thereto?

**ANSWER**

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

(SHRI ARJUN RAM MEGHWAL)

(a) to (d)     As per the request of Government of Bihar, National Water Development Agency (NWDA) has prepared the Detailed Project Report (DPR) of Burhi-Gandak-Noon-Baya-Ganga link project (an Intra-State link of Bihar) in December, 2013 and submitted to Government of Bihar and Central Water Commission (CWC) for techno-economic appraisal. As per the DPR, the estimated cost of Burhi-Gandak-Noon-Baya-Ganga link project is about Rs.4213.75 crore at 2012-13 price level.

CWC has suggested that though the project is technically feasible, but may require frequent desilting for maintaining the proposed canal and river in good condition. Further, CWC has observed that flood protection to adjoining area can also be achieved by constructing embankments only which will be more economical. Accordingly, the recommendations of the CWC for formulation of the present proposal as a flood scheme, have been communicated to Government of Bihar vide letter dated 14.3.2017.

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