

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI,
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2355
ANSWERED ON 05.03.2020

INTER-LINKING OF CAUVERI-VAIGAI-GUNDAR RIVERS

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Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has any proposal for linking up of Cauveri, Vaigai and Gundar rivers in Tamil Nadu;
- (b) if so, the funds allocated for the task; and
- (c) whether the Government of Tamil Nadu has made any request for approval of the said linking of rivers and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI & SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA)

(a) & (b) The Feasibility Report of the Cauvery – Vaigai – Gundar link project was prepared by National Water Development Agency (NWDA) in the year 2004 and circulated to the concerned States. Cauvery-Vaigai-Gundar link project is the last link project under Mahanadi-Godavari-Krishna-Pennar-Cauvery-Vaigai-Gundar link system under Peninsular Component of National Perspective Plan. The feasibility of Cauvery – Vaigai – Gundar link project depends on the waters to be brought by preceding upper links from Mahanadi & Godavari rivers.

No funds have been allocated / utilized for execution of this project.

(c) Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has requested the Central Government to accord in-principle approval for the Cauvery-Gundar link project.
