

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI,
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4953
ANSWERED ON 25.03.2021

RENOVATION OF LOWER BHAVANI PROJECT

4953. SHRI A. RAJA

Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has laid the foundation stone for extension, renovation and modernization of Lower Bhavani Project (LBP) system in Tamil Nadu recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of total area likely to be benefitted therefrom;
- (d) the total cost of the project and the funding agency; and
- (e) the time by which the project is likely to be completed, phase/package-wise?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA)

- (a) & (b) Yes Sir, the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India laid the foundation stone for Extension, Renovation and Modernization (ERM) of Lower Bhavani Project (LBP) system in Tamil Nadu on 25.02.2021.
- (c) & (d) The proposed ERM of LBP envisages to stabilize existing ayacut area of about one lakh hectare, at an estimated cost of Rs.933.10 crore. The project is proposed to be implemented with funding under NABARD Infrastructure Development Assistance being arranged by the Government of Tamil Nadu.
- (e) The project is to be implemented in six packages, as per details below:

S. No.	Name of Packages of the ERM of LBP System	Cost (Rs in crore)
1.	Main Canal from Mile 0-0-373 to 18-1-375 in Erode District	194.15
2.	Main Canal from Mile 18-1-375 to 39-0-000 in Erode District	127.65
3.	Main Canal from Mile 39-0-000 to 63-0-560 in Erode District	198.25
4.	Main Canal from Mile 63-0-560 to 124-2-560 in Erode, Tiruppur and Karur Districts	189.55
5.	Kalingarayan Channel from Mile 15-4.5-195 to 56-5.5-328 in Erode District	76.80
6.	Thadappalli Channel and Arakkankottai Canal in Kodiveri Anicut System in Erode District	146.70

As reported by the Government of Tamil Nadu, the probable implementation period for all the above mentioned six packages, is two years including irrigation period. Thus the project is scheduled to be completed by January, 2023.