

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3421

ANSWERED ON 20.03.2025

WATER CONSERVATION PROJECTS IN MAHARASHTRA

3421. ADV GOWAAL KAGADA PADAVI

Will the Minister of **JAL SHAKTI** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of quantum of water from the Sardar Sarovar Dam allocated to Maharashtra as per the Narmada Water Tribunal Award, as determined by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in 1979;
- (b) whether the Government is taking any steps to implement Minor Irrigation projects in the tehsils of Dhadgaon and Akkalkuwa;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) whether the Government has initiated water conservation projects using the water of the river Narmada in Maharashtra and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI RAJ BHUSHAN CHOUDHARY)

(a) As per the Narmada Water Dispute Tribunal (NWDT) Award, 0.25 million acre feet (308.37 million cubic meter) of water was allocated to the Government of Maharashtra from the 28 million acre feet of water assessed at Sardar Sarovar Dam site based on 75% dependable year.

(b) & (c) The details of the minor irrigation work in the tehsils of Dhadgoan and Akkalkuwa are as under:

Taluka Dhadgaon:

Minor Irrigation Tank			
Department	No.	Storage Capacity (MCM)	Irrigation potential (Ha)
WRD	1	0.88	105
Percolation Tank			
Department	No.	Storage Capacity (MCM)	Irrigation potential (Ha)
WCD	6	0.87	70.35
ZP	3	1.029	218.00
WRD	115	21.398	4490.00
Total	124	23.297	4778.35

Taluka Akkalkuwa:

Medium Project			
Department	No.	Storage Capacity (MCM)	Irrigation potential (Ha)
WRD	1	19.08	3481

Minor Irrigation Tank			
Department	No.	Storage Capacity (MCM)	Irrigation potential (Ha)
WRD	1	2.79	362
	1	2.996	516
Total	2	5.786	878
Percolation Tank			
Department	No.	Storage Capacity (MCM)	Irrigation potential (Ha)
WCD	7	1.39	338
ZP	5	0.52	110
WRD	29	7.1657	1494.30
Total	41	9.0757	1942.30

WCD:- Water Conservation Department

ZP:- Zilha Parishad

WRD:- Water Resources Department

(d) The Sardar Sarovar Project is an interstate, multipurpose project involving Gujarat, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan. According to the NWDT Award, Maharashtra's share is 10.89 TMC.

The Government of Maharashtra signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Government of Gujarat on 7.1.2015. According to MoU:

- 5 TMC of water will be made available to Government of Maharashtra from the Ukai Project in Tapi district, Gujarat by Government of Gujarat.
- 5 TMC of water will be used by the Government of Gujarat from the Narmada Basin from Maharashtra's share.

Accordingly, the proposed use of Maharashtra's 10.89 TMC share is detailed as follows:

- 5 TMC (141.46 MCM) will be used by Maharashtra through Lift Irrigation schemes from Ukai Project to be used in Nandurbar district, Maharashtra.
- 5.59 TMC (158.29 MCM) of water will be utilized through the Narmada-Tapi Diversion scheme in the Tapi Basin of Nandurbar district.
- The remaining 0.30 TMC (8.49 MCM) will be used for Lift Irrigation schemes and Drinking Water schemes in the Narmada Basin of Maharashtra.
