

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

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1991**

ANSWERED ON 31.07.2025

**LOWER TAPI MAJOR IRRIGATION PROJECT**

1991. SMT. SMITA UDAY WAGH

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the Lower Tapi Major Irrigation Project in Jalgaon District has been pending for the last 25 years despite its importance for irrigation, drinking water and regional development and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government of Maharashtra has submitted the proposal under PMKSY-AIBP and the Central Water Commission has declared the project techno-economically viable and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Public Investment Board (PIB) has already recommended the project with approval to the Ministry of Jal Shakti;
- (d) if so, the time by which the Ministry is likely to accord final approval for its inclusion under AIBP; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes to ensure timely release of funds and completion of this long-pending project on priority and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI**

(SHRI RAJ BHUSHAN CHOUDHARY)

**(a) to (e)** Government of Maharashtra has submitted the proposal for inclusion of Lower Tapi Project, Stage-I under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojna- Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (PMKSY-AIBP). Revised Cost Estimate of Lower Tapi Project, Stage-I of the project has been firmed up in consultation with Central Water Commission (CWC) for Rs. 2,888.48 crore at December-2023 price level with Benefit Cost ratio of 1.45.

Public Investment Board (PIB), in its meeting held on 12.06.2025, has recommended for inclusion of the project under PMKSY-AIBP. After successful appraisal and recommendation of PIB, the project can be included under PMKSY-AIBP only after approval is received from Government of India. Central Assistance is released to a project as per extant guidelines, after inclusion of the project under PMKSY-AIBP.

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