

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANAGA REJUVENATION

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO: 2501

ANSWERED ON: 16.03.2017

Ken-Betwa River Link

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

- (a) whether the investment clearance committee has approved the Ken-Betwa river link to address drinking water and irrigation requirements of the parched Bundelkhand region and if so, the details thereof along with the areas likely to be benefited therefrom;
- (b) the recommendations made by the Expert Appraisal Committee (EAC) in this regard and the action taken thereon;
- (c) whether the Government has finalized the funding pattern for the said link and, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether all relevant clearances of other Ministries/Departments have been obtained, if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the details of river linking projects of various States including Maharashtra pending with the Government for financial approval along with their present status; and
- (f) whether the Government proposes to increase its share under Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP) and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

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(a) to (d) The Ken-Betwa Link Project (KBLP) is in two phases, namely, Phase-I and Phase-II. The Ken-Betwa Link Project (KBLP) Phase-I was considered by Investment Clearance Committee of MoWR, RD & GR in its 5th meeting held on 10.02.2017 and recommended the Investment Clearance at an estimated cost of Rs. 18057.08 crore at price level 2015-16.

The Committee further suggested funding mechanism for KBLP Phase-I in the pattern of 90:10 or

100:0 Centre:State share. Accordingly, Cabinet Note for funding mechanism in the pattern of 90:10 Centre:State share for KBLP has been approved by Hon'ble Minister (WR, RD & GR) and has been circulated for inter-Ministerial consultation on 21.02.2017.

The Standing Committee for National Board for Wildlife (NBWL) in its meeting held on 23.08.2016 has recommended the KBLP Phase-I for wildlife clearance. The Expert Appraisal Committee of MoEF & CC considered the project in its meeting held on 30.12.2016 and recommended the project for grant of environmental clearance with certain conditions. Forest Land Diversion clearance from MoEF & CC is in advance stage.

Ministry of Tribal Affairs (MoTA) has accorded the tribal clearances vide letter dated 04.01.2017.

The KBLP Phase-I will provide irrigation to an area of 6,35,661 hectares (ha) annually (3,69,881 ha in MP and 2,65,780 ha in UP) in the Chhattarpur, Tikamgarh and Panna districts of Madhya Pradesh and Mahoba, Banda and Jhansi districts of Uttar Pradesh in Bundelkhand Region. The project will provide water for enroute drinking water supply to population of 13.42 lakh of UP & MP. The project will also generate 78 MW of power.

In addition, KBLP Phase-II will further add about 1 lakh ha. irrigation in Shivpuri, Raisen, Vidisha, Sagar and Ashoknagar districts of Madhya Pradesh and provide drinking water to 1.65 Lakh people (6 MCM) in Shivpuri district of Madhya Pradesh, 56 MCM in Lalitpur district of Uttar Pradesh. Thus, total irrigation benefit from the Ken-Betwa link Project will be about 7.35 lakh ha and 111 MCM for drinking water. The project will be a boon to drought prone and water starved Bundelkhand region.

e) Under the National Perspective Plan (NPP) for water resources development through inter basin transfer of water prepared by this Ministry, NWDA has identified 30 links (16 under Peninsular Component & 14 under Himalayan Component) for preparation of Feasibility Reports (FRs). After survey and investigations FRs of 14 links under Peninsular Component and 2 links in the Himalayan component have been prepared. Present status, States concerned and States benefited of Inter Basin Water Transfer Links are given in Annex-I. As construction of none of the projects of interlinking including Maharashtra is under progress or completed, no financial approval has been pending on the project implementation.

(f) No madam. There is no proposal to increase the share of Central Assistance under AIBP.

ANNEX-I

Annexure referred to in reply to part (e) of Unstarred Question No. 2501 to be answered in Lok Sabha on 16.03.2017 regarding Ken Betwa River Link

Present status of Inter Basin Water Transfer Links, the States involved, name of rivers and status of Feasibility Reports/Detailed Project Report

Sl. No Name Rivers States concerned Status

Peninsular Component

- 1 Mahanadi (Manibhadra) - Godavari (Dowlaiswaram) link Mahanadi & Godavari Odisha, Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, & Chattisgarh FR Completed
- 2 Godavari (Inchampalli) - Krishna (Pulichintala) link Godavari & Krishna -do- FR Completed
- 3 Godavari (Inchampalli) - Krishna (Nagarjunasagar) link Godavari & Krishna Odisha, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka & Chattisgarh, FR Completed
- 4 Godavari (Polavaram) - Krishna (Vijayawada) link Godavari & Krishna Odisha, Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, & Chattisgarh FR Completed
- 5 Krishna (Almatti) – Pennar link Krishna & Pennar -do- FR Completed
- 6 Krishna (Srisailem) – Pennar link Krishna & Pennar -do- FR Completed
- 7 Krishna (Nagarjunasagar) - Pennar (Somasila) link Krishna & Pennar Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh & Karnataka, FR Completed
- 8 Pennar (Somasila) - Cauvery (Grand Anicut) link Pennar & Cauvery Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Kerala & Puducherry FR Completed

9 Cauvery (Kattalai) - Vaigai -Gundar link Cauvery, Vaigai & Gundar Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Kerala & Puducherry FR Completed

10 Ken-Betwa link

Ken & Betwa Uttar Pradesh & Madhya Pradesh FR & DPR (Ph-I&II) Completed

11 Parbati -Kalisindh- Chambal link Parbati, Kalisindh & Chambal Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan & Uttar Pradesh (UP requested to be consulted during consensus building) FR Completed

12 Par-Tapi-Narmada link Par, Tapi & Narmada Maharashtra & Gujarat FR & DPR Completed

13 Damanganga - Pinjal link Damanganga & Pinjal Maharashtra & Gujarat FR & DPR Completed.

14 Bedti - Varda link Bedti & Varda Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh & Karnataka PFR Completed

15 Netravati – Hemavati link Netravati & Hemavati Karnataka, Tamil Nadu & Kerala PFR Completed

16 Pamba - Achankovil - Vaippar link Pamba, Achankovil & Vaippar Kerala & Tamil Nadu, FR Completed

Himalayan Component

1. Manas-Sankosh-Tista-Ganga (M-S-T-G) link Manas-Sankosh-Tista-Ganga Assam, West Bengal, Bihar& Bhutan PFR completed

2. Kosi-Ghaghra link Kosi & Ghaghra Bihar , Uttar Pradesh & Nepal FR in Indian portion started

3. Gandak-Ganga link Gandak & Ganga -do- Draft FR completed (Indian portion)

4. Ghaghra-Yamuna link Ghaghra & Yamuna -do- FR completed (Indian portion)

5. Sarada-Yamuna link Sarada & Yamuna Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Haryana, Rajasthan, Uttarakhand & Nepal FR completed (Indian portion)

6. Yamuna-Rajasthan link Yamuna & Sukri Uttar Pradesh, Gujarat, Haryana & Rajasthan Draft FR completed

7. Rajasthan-Sabarmati link Sabarmati -do- Draft FR completed

8. Chunar-Sone Barrage link Ganga & Sone Bihar & Uttar Pradesh Draft FR completed

9. Sone Dam – Southern Tributaries of Ganga link Sone & Badua Bihar & Jharkhand PFR completed.

10. Ganga(Farakka)-Damodar-Subernarekha link Ganga, Damodar & Subernarekha West Bengal, Odisha & Jharkhand Draft FR completed

11. Subernarekha-Mahanadi link Subernarekha & Mahanadi West Bengal & Odisha Draft FR Completed

12.

Kosi-Mechi link Kosi & Mechi Bihar , West Bengal & Nepal PFR completed Entirely lies in Nepal

13. Ganga (Farakka)-Sunderbans link Ganga & Ichhamati West Bengal Draft FR completed

14. Jogighopa-Tista-Farakka link (Alternative to M-S-T-G) Manas, Tista & Ganga -do- (Alternative to M-S-T-G Link) dropped

- PFR- Pre Feasibility Report
- FR- Feasibility Report;
- DPR- Detailed Project Report