

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI,  
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA  
REJUVENATION  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1382**  
ANSWERED ON 14.03.2022

**STATUS OF INTERLINKING OF RIVERS**

1382 # SHRI NARESH BANSAL:

Will the Minister of **Jal Shakti** be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of work related to interlinking of rivers;
- (b) the priority of Government with regard to interlinking of rivers and the change therein taking place in comparison to earlier situation;
- (c) by when interlinking of rivers would be completed; and
- (d) the estimated expenditure of this work?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI BISHWESWAR TUDU)

(a) to (c) Under the National Perspective Plan (NPP), the National Water Development Agency (NWDA) has identified 30 links (16 under Peninsular Component & 14 under Himalayan Component) for preparation of Feasibility Reports. Details and current status of the proposals for inter-state linking of rivers under the Inter Linking of Rivers (ILR) Programme is furnished at **Annexure**.

Ken – Betwa project is the first Inter-linking project under NPP, which is under implementation. A tripartite agreement has been signed among the States of UP and MP and Central Government for implementation of Ken-Betwa Link Project in March, 2021. The project has been approved by the Government of India with an estimated cost of Rs. 44605 Cr at year 2020-21 price level and central support of Rs.39317 Cr through a Special Purpose Vehicle.

The ILR programme has been accorded top priority by the Government and it is being pursued based on the principle of consensus and agreement among the concerned States. A “Special Committee on Interlinking of Rivers” was constituted in September, 2014 for the implementation of ILR programme. Nineteen meetings of the Special Committee have been held so far. Further, a Task Force for Interlinking of Rivers was also constituted in April, 2015 and fifteen meetings of the Task Force have been held so far. Furthermore, efforts have been made for building consensus among the concerned States as implementation of the ILR projects depends mainly on the consensus among the concerned States.

(d) Estimated expenditure for ILR project (30 links) is estimated at Rs. 8.44 lakh crore. However, the issue related to actual expenditure arises at time of implementation of the link projects.

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**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1382 TO BE ANSWERED IN RAJYA SABHA ON 14.03.2022 REGARDING “STATUS OF INTERLINKING OF RIVERS”.**

**Details and status of the proposals for inter-state linking of rivers under the Inter Linking of Rivers Programme**

S. No	Name	Rivers	States concerned	Status
<b>Peninsular Component</b>				
1(a)	Mahanadi (Manibhadra)–Godavari (Dowlaiswar am) link	Mahanadi and Godavari	Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Odisha, Karnataka and Maharashtra	FR Completed.
1(b)	Mahanadi (Bermul)–Godavari (Dowlaiswar am) link	Mahanadi and Godavari	do	FR Completed. Preparation of DPR under progress.
2	Godavari(Inchampalli)-Krishna(Pulichintala) link	Godavari and Krishna	Odisha, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra and Karnataka	FR Completed.
3	Godavari(Inchampalli)-Krishna (Nagarjunasagar) link	Godavari and Krishna	--do--	FR Completed. DPR Completed.
4	Godavari(Polavaram) - Krishna(Vijayawada) link	Godavari and Krishna	--do--	FR Completed.
5	Krishna(Almatti) –Pennar link	Krishna and Pennar	Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra and Karnataka	FR Completed.
6	Krishna (Srisailem)–Pennar link	Krishna and Pennar	--do--	FR Completed.
7	Krishna(Nagarjunasagar)-Pennar (Somasila) link	Krishna and Pennar	--do--	FR Completed. DPR Completed.
8	Pennar (Somasila)–Cauvery(Grand Anicut) link	Pennar and Cauvery	Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Puducherry	FR Completed. DPR Completed.
9	Cauvery (Kattalai)–Vaijagai–Gundar link	Cauvery, Vaijagai and Gundar	Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Puducherry	DPR Completed.
10	Ken–Betwa link	Ken and Betwa	Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh	DPR (Phase – I, II & Comprehensive report) Completed.
11 (i)	Parbati – Kalisindh – Chambal link	Parbati, Kalisindh and Chambal	Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan requested to be Consulted during consensus building)	FR Completed.
(ii)	Parbati-Kuno-Sindh link	Parbati, Kuno and Sindh	Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan	PFR completed.\$
12	Par-Tapi-Narmada link	Par, Tapi and Narmada	Maharashtra and Gujarat	DPR Completed.
13	Damanganga – Pinjal link	Damanganga and Pinjal	--do--	DPR Completed.
14	Bedti-Varada link	Bedti and Var	Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh and	PFR Completed.

		ada	Karnataka	Draft DPR completed
15	Netravati – Hemavati link	Netravati and Hemavati	Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Kerala	PFR Completed.
16	Pamba - Achankovil – Vaippar link	Pamba,Achankovil and Vaippar	Kerala and Tamil Nadu	FR Completed.
§ Integration of Eastern Rajasthan Canal Project of Rajasthan and Parbati – Kalisindh – Chambal link.				
<b>Himalayan Component</b>				
1.	Manas-Sankosh-Tista-Ganga(M-S-T-G)link	Manas, Sankosh, Tista and Ganga	BHUTAN&INDIA (Assam, West Bengal and Bihar)	FR completed. DPR in progress.
2.	Kosi-Ghaghra link	Kosi and Ghaghra	NEPAL&INDIA (Bihar and Uttar Pradesh)	PFR completed
3.	Gandak-Ganga link	Gandak and Ganga	--do--	FR completed (Indian portion)
4.	Ghaghra-Yamuna link	Ghaghra and Yamuna	--do--	FR completed (Indian portion)
5.	Sarda-Yamuna link	Sarda and Yamuna	NEPAL&INDIA (Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Haryana And Rajasthan)	FR completed (Indian portion)
6.	Yamuna-Rajasthan link	Yamuna and Sukri	Gujarat, Rajasthan, Haryana and UttarPradesh	FR completed
7.	Rajasthan-Sabarmati link	Sabarmati	--do--	FR completed
8.	Chunar-Sone Barrage link	Ganga and Sone	Bihar and Uttar Pradesh	FR completed
9.	Sone Dam – Southern Tributaries of Ganga link	Sone and Badua	Bihar and Jharkhand	PFR completed
10.	Ganga (Farakka)-Damodar-Subernarekha link	Ganga, Damodar and Subernarekha	West Bengal, Odisha and Jharkhand	FR completed DPR in progress
11.	Subernarekha-Mahanadi link	Subernarekha and Mahanadi	West Bengal and Odisha	FR completed
12.	Kosi-Mechi Link	Kosi and Mechi	NEPAL & INDIA (Bihar and West Bengal)	PFR completed
13.	Ganga (Farakka)-Sunderbans link	Ganga and Ichhamati	West Bengal	FR completed
14.	Jogighopa-Tista-Farakka link (Alternative to M-S-T-G)	Manas, Tista and Ganga	Assam, Bihar and West Bengal	PFR completed

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

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