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MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI
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RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 86

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KADWAN RESERVOIR PROJECT

86. # SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Kadwan reservoir project on the Son river near the border of the States of Bihar and Jharkhand could not be completed for years due to the dispute between Bihar, Jharkhand and Madhya Pradesh; and
- (b) the initiatives taken by Government to resolve the dispute between the said states, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR JAL SHAKTI

(SHRI RAJ BHUSHAN CHOUDHARY)

(a) & (b) Kadwan dam project renamed as Indrapuri reservoir project is proposed to be built across Sone River. Bihar had submitted Preliminary Project Report (PPR) of the project to Central Water Commission (CWC) in December, 2018 for appraisal. As per guidelines for appraisal of irrigation projects, the PPR was shared with party States of Uttar Pradesh and Jharkhand for their views. Government of Jharkhand has communicated its view that distribution of allocated water of Sone River basin to undivided Bihar under tripartite Bansagar Agreement, 1973 needs to be settled first. Due to non-resolution of this interstate issue, the project was returned to State in March, 2022 by CWC with a request to submit the project afresh incorporating NoC from the co-basin states.

For resolution of interstate issue of sharing of water, the matter has been deliberated with states in Standing Committee meeting of the Eastern Zonal Council held in July, 2024.
