

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

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PROVISION OF SURPLUS WATER OF GANGA TO RAJASTHAN
RAMESHWAR DUDI

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the study group of the Central Water Commission set up to consider providing of surplus water of the Ganga river to the drought affected areas of Rajasthan has submitted its report to the Union Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the National Water Development Authority has completed the water balance studies and has submitted its recommendations in regard to surplus water to the Ganga Flood Control Board; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) & (b) Rajasthan submitted a proposal in 1984 for diverting 1133 cumec of Ganga water ex-Hardwar and 566 cumec of Ganga water ex-Bijnor for 100 days during Monsoon. The study conducted by Central Water Commission (CWC) to explore the possibilities to divert flood waters of Ganga for use in Rajasthan revealed that sufficient water was not available in Ganga near these two places for more than 20-30 days in a year for diversion to Rajasthan.

(c) & (d) As a part of carrying out studies of National Perspective Plan, National Water Development Agency (NWDA) has completed the prefeasibility studies of Sardar Sarovar-Yamuna Rajasthan link. As per the prefeasibility report prepared by NWDA, Yamuna-Rajasthan link envisages 2.44 lakh hectare of irrigation benefit to Rajasthan. Survey and investigation for preparation of detailed project report of the link have been taken up by NWDA and is programmed for completion by 2007.