

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5212
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ACTION PLAN TO TAP BAITARANI RIVER WATER
ANANTA NAYAK

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have formulated any action plan to make use of water of Baitarani river;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the other major rivers of Orissa proposed to be tapped through the said plan ?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) Irrigation being a State subject, irrigation projects to utilize waters of river basins, as also flood control, drainage projects are planned, investigated, funded, executed, operated and maintained by the State Governments themselves. The Union Government has not formulated any plan to tap the major rivers of Orissa as this is primarily the responsibility of the State Government.