

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4069  
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DUGDA DRAINAGE PROJECT  
NITISH SENGUPTA

**Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Dugda Basin Drainage project is still to be implemented;
- (b) if so, whether a small river Kudi was meant to be diverted through a different channel as a part of the scheme and has not been done; and
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor and the time by which the project is likely to be completed?

**Answer**

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

(a) As per the information furnished by the Govt. of West Bengal, Dubda (Dugda) Basin Drainage Scheme has already been implemented. The period of execution was from 1971-72 to 1982-83. The completion report of the scheme was furnished in 1988-89.

(b) The Govt. of West Bengal has informed that the Kudi Khal alongwith Negua Khal were primarily responsible for the floods in Dubda basin. In the Dubda Basin Drainage Scheme, KudiKhal was diverted by excavating Kudi diversion channel which was designed to accommodate the entire field run-off of Kudi catchment area (136 sq. km.), which is a sub-basin of Dubda basin. The offtake of Kudi diversion channel started from southern end of Kudi at the crossing of Kudi Khal with Egra-Mohanpur road with a design discharge of 106.55 cumecs (3760 cusecs).

(c) The diversion channel of river Kudi was actually excavated and it got silted up over the years. A scheme costing Rs. 237.00 lakh has been prepared by the State Government of West Bengal for posing before NABARD under Rural Infrastructure Development Fund VIII. Upon sanction of the scheme by NABARD the State Govt. of West Bengal proposes to complete the same within three years.