

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1682
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ACTION PLAN REPORT ON INTER-LINKING OF RIVERS
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether recently submitted action plan II Report on Inter-linking of rivers has recommended across the Board imposition of water charges, levy of duties on selected goods of mass consumption;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has considered the report;
- (c) if so, by when a final decision in this regard is likely to be taken;
- (d) whether the Government has decided to test waters before linking; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (e) The Central Government envisages comprehensive review of the feasibility of the linking of the rivers of the country in a fully consultative manner.