

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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RAVI-BEAS LINK AND UPSTREAM STORAGE ON YAMUNA RIVER

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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has received proposals from the State Government of Haryana for construction of Second Link from Ravi River to Beas and also upstream storage on River Yamuna;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any feasibility study/ survey has been conducted by the Government in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the reason for delay in clearing the proposals; and
- (f) the time by which the proposals are likely to be given clearance?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VINCENT H. PALA)

- (a) A Concept Report prepared by the Government of Haryana for the construction of a Second Ravi-Beas Link has been received. As one of the co-basin states of Upper Yamuna River basin, Government of Haryana is concerned with the construction of storage projects of Renuka (in Himachal Pradesh), Kishau and Lakhwar Vyasi (in Uttarakhand).
- (b) The Second Ravi-Beas Link concept proposes the construction of a barrage on river Ravi at a suitable location downstream of Madhopur and an 85 km long link canal to divert, a part of the waters considered to be available in river Ravi downstream of Madhopur, to river Beas near Harike barrage, at a tentative cost of Rs. 734 crore.
- (c) & (d) A committee comprising representatives of the State Governments of Punjab, Haryana and Rajasthan, Central Water Commission and Survey of India has been assigned to look into the feasibility of the concept proposal.
- (e) & (f) Only after the preparation and submission of a Detailed Project Report of the Second Ravi-Beas Link by the concerned State Government, based on survey and investigation of feasible proposals, the need for clearance will arise.