

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
PLANNING  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4205  
ANSWERED ON:02.05.2012  
EXTENSION OF HIPPARAGI IRRIGATION PROJECT  
Vishwanath Shri Adagur H

**Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Planning Commission has agreed to permit three year extension to Hipparagi Irrigation Project of Karnataka without any increase in the cost of the project recently; and

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the timeframe for completion of the project?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES (DR. ASHWANI KUMAR)

(a): Yes, sir.

(b): The State Government of Karnataka requested the Planning Commission for extending the time period of completion of the Hipparagi Project by three years from 31.3.2011 to 31.3.2014 as there is a delay in the completion of the project due to problems of land acquisition, rehabilitation issues, reduced work period due to letting off of water in the canals due to local demand etc. The extension of three years has been agreed without any cost overrun and now the project is required to be completed by the State by 31st March 2014.