

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2978  
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BHAKRA MAIN LINE  
Meghwal Shri Bharat Ram

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

- (a) whether the Bhakra Main Line (BML) was constructed for Sutlej water;
- (b) if so, the authorised share of participating States for Sutlej water in the BML;
- (c) whether the water of Ravi and Beas can also be made available through BML; and
- (d) if so, the authorised share of participating States for water of Ravi and Beas in the BML?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

- (a) Yes, Madam.
- (b) The annual percentage shares of Punjab, Haryana and Rajasthan in Sutlej waters are 57.88%, 32.31% and 9.81% respectively.
- (c) The spare capacity of Bhakra Main Line (BML) is already being utilised for carrying Ravi- Beas waters also.
- (d) As informed by Bhakra Beas Management Board (BBMB), the authorised shares of States in Ravi- Beas waters through BML are as follows:
  - (i) Haryana: up to 3.45 Million Acre Feet (MAF)
  - (ii) Delhi: 0.20 MAF
  - (iii) Rajasthan: 0.17 MAF (linked with the restoration of capacity of BML canal)