

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3685
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SONATTI LIFT IRRIGATION PROJECT
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from the Government of Karnataka seeking approval for Sonatti lift irrigation project; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Union Government thereon?

Answer

THE HON'BLE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE AND WATER RESOURCES (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a) to (b) No project proposal of Government of Karnataka named as 'Sonatti Lift Irrigation Project' has been received in Central Water Commission (CWC). However, a project of Karnataka namely 'Sonthi Lift Irrigation Scheme' was received in CWC in December, 2012.

Proposed Sonthi Lift Irrigation Scheme seeks to benefit a culturable command area of about 16,000 ha in Gulbarga and Yadgir districts of Karnataka by utilising 4.00 TMC of water. The estimated cost of the project is Rs.600 crore at 2012-13 price level. The State Government is yet to submit the revised proposal. Further, the State Government has also not yet submitted the mandatory environment clearance from Ministry of Environment & Forest and Rehabilitation & Resettlement (R&R) clearance from the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.