

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANAGA REJUVENATION
LOK SABHA**

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IRRIGATION
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANAGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has identified irrigation projects through satellite mapping; and
- (b) if so, the details of the irrigation projects identified across the country including Karnataka?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION
(PROF.SANWAR LAL JAT)

(a) & (b) Satellite mapping can identify water bodies etc. which may or may not be a part of irrigation projects. India Water Resources Information System (IndiaWRIS) has indicated existence of 798908 water bodies (having water spread area above 0.01 hectares) in the country; out of these 53694 water bodies are in Karnataka.