

**Title:** Need to obtain World Bank loan for early completion of Kanpur Irrigation Project in Keonjhar District of Orissa.

SHRI ANANTA NAYAK (KEONJHAR): Madam, it is a matter of great concern that the Kanpur irrigation project of my Parliamentary constituency has been pending for more than 20 years despite the fact that it has tremendous irrigation potential. The project is located in a backward and predominantly tribal dominated area of Orissa. Once the project is completed, it will irrigate five blocks of two sub-divisions in drought prone Keonjhar district. The farmers who are starving for want of water will be able to grow at least two crops a year.

I request the Central Government that necessary formalities for World Bank loan be completed and adequate fund should be allocated for the implementation of Kanpur irrigation project in Keonjhar district of Orissa without any further delay.